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### Windsor safari park sold to Legoland

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By NICK NUTTALL

THE animals of Windsor safari park will be replaced by Lego bricks under plans for a £60m theme park. Lego Group of Copenhagen announced yesterday that it had naid an undisclosed sum for the safari park, which went into receivership in October.

It expects to attract 1.2 million visitors a year to a theme park, which should open in 1996 and may include huge models of St Paul's Cathedral and nearby Windsor Castle. Up to 600 people

will be employed there.

The park's 600 animals, which include 40 big cats, a killer whale, elephants, bears, rhinoceroses, hippopotamuses and baboons, are expected to he re-housed at 200s across Europe and America during the next 12 months.

The purchase is likely to be

seen with a touch of irony by British toy manufacturers, as Lego was a British idea. Peter Ambeck-Madsen, director of information at Lego Group. said yesterday: "The first two bricks made in Denmark in 1949 were inspired by two bricks made by the British company Kiddicraft.

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# UK ready to back air strikes on Serbs

■ The growing threat of a wider war in

By Nicholas Wood AND MICHAEL BINYON

BRITAIN is ready to back limited military action in Bosnia-Herzegovina to counter Serbian aggression. Douglas Hurd, the foreign

secretary, is understood to have been angered by the failure of diplomatic and trade sanctions to halt the fighting. and is prepared to endorse UN-sanctioned intervention to enforce the no-fly zone over Bosnia. Airfields under the control of Bosnian Serbs could then be bombed and its aircraft shot down if they continued to flout the air embargo.

The government's tougher stance comes as Western governments prepare for a new international conference in Geneva to step up the pressure on the Serbs, as the Western European Union recommended that it should plan for a possible European intervention, and as an emergency gathering of 47 Islamic nations meeting in Jeddah called for a free flow of arms to the embattled Bosnian Muslims so they could defend

themselves. Bu: Lord Owen and Cyrus Vance, the Geneva peace negotiators, yesterday rejected the Islamic foreign ministers' call for military action, saying that resorting to force would only aggravate the situation. The international conference on December 16 will the Balkans is pushing the West to contemplate limited military action to contain the fighting. Western leaders are fearful of the costs in men and material

bring together 33 countries. including all those who attended the London conference on Yugoslavia as well as more Muslim countries, and will be attended by Lawrence Eagleburger, the acting American secretary of state. It is likely to see a much more hawkish attitude from the European Community, which will discuss the Bosnian war at length at the Edinburgh summit next

British sources said yesterday there was a perception that things were getting worse and more must done to stop Serbian aggression. Yesterday, a Danish member of the UN peacekeeping force was kidnapped by an armed gang in Croat-held territory near Sarajevo, and continued fighting prevented aid reaching the city. "This weighs heavily on the people of Sarajevo." Peter Kessler, spokesman for the UN High Commissioner on Refugees, said. "We aren't getting a chance to stockpile food for the winter."

The Foreign Office is particularly concerned about the way the Bosnian Serbs are using helicopters to transport senior officers involved in the bloodshed, although it has no evidence of any bombing raids by Serbian planes. But besides some 200 violations of the nofly zone, Western nations have been angered by continued "ethnic deansing", the breach of ceasefire agreements and

peace negotiators. Mr Hurd now wants to strengthen the co-ordinated EC approach to resolving the conflict. He wants an agreement at the Edinburgh summit that can be presented to the Americans and the

non-co-operation with UN

international conference. Britain's tough approach came as senior ministers detected a hardening in America's attitude to the conflict. One minister said he believed that Bill Clinton, the president-elect, may be preparing for a more assertive stance and another senior Tory thought a Bush-Clinton" axis might be replacing the more cautious approach taken by Mr Bush and James Baker, his former

secretary of state. The shift also coincided with

a call from Paddy Ashdown for air strikes against Serbian artillery. Condemning the government's "timidity", he said the international community should "draw a line on further Serb advances".

However, defence ministers are deeply apprehensive about any moves that would increase Britain's commitment of 2,400 troops charged with protecting humanitarian convoys in Bosnia. One said that Bosnia was a "quagmire" in which it would all too easy for British and other Western forces to become bogged down in an unwinnable war. Contingency planning within the defence ministry against a Serbian strike against Kosovo and Macedonia is nevertheless under way. Ministers accept that such an escalation of the conflict, oringing in Greece, would trigger a "nasty" European war from which Britain and its allies could not

stand apart Whitehall officials yesterday played down talk of a division between the Foreign Office and the defence ministry over military intervention, and said the government was still keenly aware of the disadvantages of sending in troops the difficult terrain, the implica-tions for the aid effort, the likely reaction from the combatants and the difficulties of

# Major dampens summit hopes

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Major last night played down expectations of success at next week's Edinburgh summit as he prepared to table new proposals today aimed at enabling the Danes to hold a second referendum

on the Maastricht treaty. After visiting more than half the capitals of the European Community as he tries to broker a deal on at least six key issues. Mr Major returned

from Copenhagen last night and authorised his officials to deliver a downbeat assessment of the prospects of a breakthrough next week.

"We are a long way apart on a number of issues," a senior government official, who has been travelling with Mr Ma-jor, said. The prime minister was reported to have likened the mass of interlocking difficulties facing him as the EC president to "trying to solve a Rubik's Cube". The official added: "The problem with Rubik's Cubes is that most of the time was don't manage to the time you don't manage to solve them." He said he would not use the word "optimistic" to describe Britain's view of

the summit's prospects. The cautious predictions were designed to reduce the political damage of failure and to enhance the potential gain of success or partial agreement. Even so it was clear from British briefings and the reaction of other EC govern-ments that serious hurdles remain to be overcome.

The biggest obstacles to an agreement were reported to be Militant mood, page 13 | a deal on future financing,

where the Community's poorer southern states are at loggerheads with the paymasters Britain, France and Germany, and the Danish

Mr Major today will propose ways of dealing with Denmark's demands for optouts on the defence citizenship, monetary union and justice provisions of the Maas-Continued on page 2. col 4

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### Coal tip avalanche threatens school near Aberfan

By HAEL HORSNELL

A BLACK avalanche of slurry from a 100ft coal tip, undermined by days of heavy rain. day six miles from Aberfan reviving memories of the disaster in the Welsh village where 144 died in 1966.

On a day when 80mph gales and lashing rain again hit Wales and the south of England, more than 3,000 tons from the disused Ty Trist pit cascaded into the grounds of the 950-pupil Tredegar

The school was built 20 ite of the old NCB colliery. which closed in the 1950s. and the building is only 50

yards from the tip. Colin Warfield, caretaker of the school, who nelped in the Aberian rescue operation, said: "My first thought was 'Oh God, not again.' It brought my night mares all back."

were buried in up to six feet of skurry, which came to a halt at the school entrance. The school's museum of mining history, a loaded coaltruck and 30 trees planted by pupils were all swept away.

An emergency operation was mounted to sandbag the building to prevent class-rooms from flooding as water lay two feet deep in the yard. Gordon Davies, the headmaster, who ordered children to stay away while the slurt was cleared, said: "It was awesome. Any adult or child standing in the way would have had no chance of survival. The first thing that crossed my mind was Aberfan A couple of hours later and the children would have been at school."

An enquiry was ordered by Gwent County Council, which is responsible for the tip. Continued on page 2, col i

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### Touch sensitive display. Pop-up doors. Even the price is exciting.



### Parents return 'wrong' baby By Lin Jenkins

PARENTS of an eight-day-old baby have returned the infant to hospital after being told they might have taken home the wrong child.

The parents of another child born on the same day have agreed to look after the baby they took home until blood tests confirm the parentage of both children. Results of the tests might not be

known for a fortnight.

The possibility of a mix-up was discovered when one set of parents arrived home on Friday with a baby girl and found the surname on her identity tag was not theirs. The parents of the second baby were then contacted by staff from the Princess Anne Maternity Hospital in Southampton. John Miller, clinical director of the hospital yesterday announced an enquiry.

'it will be carried out by an independent group of mid-wives from outside the area." Both baby girls, born within a couple of hours of each

other on November 24, and both mothers had blood tests on Sunday. The samples have been taken to two private specialist laboratories. A hospital spokesman said: "It will take between a week and a fortnight to do all the tests in order to be 100 per cent sure. You can get tests done more quickly, but the reliability is not so high and the parents and hospital believe it is better to be accurate." Ann Wilson, head of nurs-

ing and midwifery and acting

manager at the hospital, had the difficult task of breaking

the news to the parents on Friday evening. One set of parents were very under-standing but the others, although understanding, were more angry about it, although

they are calm now," she said. Babies at the hospital are normally tagged on both the wrist and the ankle while in the delivery room. The baby with the wrong name at-tached to her ankle when she arrived home had only one tag remaining. The other child had the correct name on the wrist tag and the wrong name on the ankle tag Mr Miller said he thought

the error could have happened when the babies were moved from their mothers' bedsides to a nearby nursery.

Baby mix-up, page 3

with 900 job losses NINE hundred jobs are to go from the Cammell Laird ship-

been hanging over the yard for two years, since its owner. VSEL, which also runs the Barrow-in-Furness shipyard, put it up for sale. No buyer was found. VSEL now plans to seek planning permission for mixed industrial, retail and residential use.

Noel Davies, VSEL's chief executive, said the closure was "the consequence of govern-ment policy". He said that warship commissions had dried up and attacked the govern-

# ment and the European Com-

merchant ships.

By PATRICIA TEHAN

munity for refusing to allow Cammell Laird access to the EC Shipbuilding Intervention yard in Birkenhead when work on the last conventional Fund, which would have pro-vided subsidies to allow the yard to compete with rivals in submarine, HMS Unicorn, finishes next July.

The threat of closure has the Far East for orders for

> The GMB general union described the closure of the yard as "the end of an era for Merseyside. Peter Horan, GMB regional secretary in Liverpool, said: Today's announcement is not just about the loss of jobs, but the loss of highly skilled people who are needed to help get Britain out of recession."

> > Warship yard, page 6

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Continued from page 1 Safety experts found that wat-er from the mountain behind Tredegar had overwhelmed its normal courses and was diverted towards the school. The tip collapsed shortly before the school opened in 1972. Worried parents complained then to the government and were assured by Margaret Thatcher, then education secretary, that the old tip was safe.

Steve Taylor, aged 40, who took his son Sean, 13, to school before discovering the extent of the near-disaster, said: "I couldn't believe my eyes when I saw the mountain had moved in a big V-shape. This could have come down at

any time."

A Gwent council spokes-woman said: "The school will stay closed for the time being. Investigations are still going on. There is a massive cleanup operation. Engineers have told us there is now no danger

of further slippage."

U Winds of more than 80mph lashed southern Britain leaving a trail of damage and chaos as weathermen warned that more storms were on the way. The south-west and south Wales again saw the worst of the weather as the battering caused flooding,



Flood barrier: workmen trying to hold back flood waters from the Taff river threatening houses in Pontypridd, south Wales

blocked roads and landslides. ☐ An RAF helicopter searchine for a man washed over the sea wall in Blackpool in high winds found a body on the beach at the resort. Darren Sadier, 25, of Manor Drive,

morning while he was with a friend on the North Shore.

In south Wales, where roads and railway lines were blocked, 11 rivers were at "red" danger levels and firemen were battling to keep water out of homes and busi-

deluge this week. Weather Centre said more rain and high winds were sweeping toward Britain from the Atlantic. Two depressions travelling 600 miles apart will keep conditions poor until next

Country and Wales again likely to be the first to suffer.

Six walkers missing overnight on Dartmoor were found safe by rescuers while two people were slightly hurt when a train ploughed into a landslide in Cumbria. The Carlisle to Leeds train was at

Culgaith near Penrith when it hit the blockage at the end of a

unting.

☐ The RAC yesterday set mo a hotline number for travelless wishing to avoid the weist affected areas: 0891 333 585.

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# MI5 urged to take quicker command of anti-IRA fight

By Christopher Elliott and Michael Horsney

MOVES to speed up the handover of primary responsibility in fighting IRA terrorism from Scotland Yard's Special Branch to MI5 were urged last night.

Frustrated members of the anti-terrorist squad and pro-vincial Special Branch officers are concerned that, although the first steps towards the new stem were taken on October , it may take up two years for a real difference to be felt.

One officer said last night If someone was to ask me whether the new system was working I would have to say what new system?"

Frustration has been heightened by the discovery of a blue Transit van packed with half a ton of homemade explosives at Stephen Street, off the Tottenham Court Road in London's West End.

The van was found after a series of coded warnings at 7.05pm that four bombs planted between Tottenham Court Road and Oxford Street were due to go off within half an hour. Police would not comment yesterday on whether the bomb's detonator had

It was the fifth big bomb laid in London in the present campaign using homemade explosives. The previous four in the City of London and ar Staples Corner in April; in a Volvo lorry stopped in North London on November 13; and in a Transit van at Canary Wharf 72 hours later — contained about a ton each.

Between 16 and 18 tons of fertiliser would have been used to make the bombs, designed to cause maximum damage in a way that more precise commercial explosives such as Semtex cannot. It is the nitrate within the fertiliser, extracted using coffee grinders, that provides explosive power.

The question for the sec

process is being undertaken on the mainland or in Ireland. About 2.5 million tons of ammonium nitrate fertiliser, which has been banned in Northern Ireland for 20 years, are sold in Britain every year. According to Jim Reed, director-general of the United

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Kingdom Agricultural Supply Trade Association (UKASTA), 200 to 250 companies sell

Most farmers place orders by telephone with their local merchants and have the fertiliser delivered. It is most com-monly delivered in 500kg

bags.
Mr Reed says there is no legal bar on "cash and carry" sales to buyers who turn up in person at the merchant's premises; however, UKASTA members have been under standing instructions since the City bomb to take note of customers' names, addresses and vehicle registration

"I think you can take it that any strange men with Irish would be pretty swiftly reported to the local police," Mr Reed said. "Local merchants have a good idea of all the farmers in their area."

One theory is that fertiliser is being stolen and then processed in deserted farm buildings, possibly in the Home Counties to allow close access

Current police thinking is that the bombs are prepared in Ireland, then shipped over. In the seventies the IRA delivered explosives to the

daily business there. But there are risks for the terrorists using homemade explosives. The last three bombs have been captured virtually intact, providing important evidence for the police. The IRA, as a result, may switch tactics again, firebombing stores or targeting other cities. Yesterday Paul Condon,

heart of London using haul-

age firms that had legitimate

who takes over as Commissioner of the Metropolitan police on February 1, said there was no "quick fix" to combating the Provisional the mainland. "It is a longterm issue. There is not a new commissioner or formula that is dramatically going to have an impact. There has to be realism about what is going to be achieved without turning London into a fortress."

> Yard's new chief, page 5 Diary, page 16

### **EC** summit optimism dampened

Continued from page 1 tricht treaty. He has had to reconcile Denmark's desire for legally binding safeguards with the desire of the rest of EC to avoid changes that would mean a renegotiation of the treaty.

Although the detail of the British proposal has not been published Mr Major is expected to propose a special declara-tion at Edinburgh that would not amend the treaty but be taken alongside it. Officials said there were were "very difficult" issues at stake, with some countries demanding equal treatment if any special privileges were granted to Denmark and others insisting that any legally binding changes granted to Denmark would have to be ratified. The issue will go before the pre-summit meeting of EC foreign ministers on Tuesday.

Officials emphasised that most of the main issues facing the summit - Denmark, future financing, enlargement of the EC, subsidiarity, opening up the decision-making process, and the economy were linked. Denmark has said that its chances of getting a "yes" vote in the second referendum would be helped by getting the talks under way on enlarging the EC to take in the old European Free Trade

Association countries. Poul Schluter, the Danish prime minister, said: "We must find a solution which does not require a new ratification process in other countries. I do think we will find a solution which is legally binding and acceptable to all 12 EC members."

> Euro-rebels, page 9 EC unity call, page 10 um that the plant will recover

### Council charge 'will cause as much chaos as poll tax'

By RACHEL KELLY, LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORRESPONDENT

THE council tax threatens to be plagued with the same administrative problems that affected its predecessor, the poll tax, according to a report from the Consumers' Association published today.

The report described the government's approach to house valuations, which places homes into eight bands to determine the level of council tax paid, as "cheap and cheer-ful" and bound to lead to inaccuracies.

Valuations were carried out by the Inland Revenue valuation office or by estate agents, who in England were paid on average only £1.58 for each

"The lowest payment was which had led to jokes about "second-gear" valuations with agents valuing houses from the comfort of their cars," the Valuations assumed that

houses were freehold, flars were on a 99-year-lease, and that the property was in a state of reasonable repair. Such assumptions could cause "confusion", the report said.

Householders could also be in for a nasty surprise because the tax's banding levels are based on house prices that are already nearly two years out of date, since when house prices have fallen by about ten per cent, the association says. But won't provide houseowners with grounds for appeal against valuations.

The number of people affected by this apparent inequity could increase, since

when properties will be revalued," the report says.

The government has no plans for a national revaluation of properties, but homes will be revalued when they are sold. Councils are worried that areas with falling house prices, particularly in London and the South East, will still have to pay the same level of council tax because bandings will not change. Such areas will not get extra money from central government in revenue support grant to make up the difference in the future.

The report adds that ap-peals could take an unacceptably long time up to six

Tony Travers, a local gov-London School of Economics, said if houses were revalued today, there would be a redistribution from the North. where prices have fallen only slightly, to the South, where prices have fallen by ten per

But he cautioned that the Consumers' Association's message was a bit too pessi-mistic. "In terms of viability, this tax is much better than the poll tax. It is easier to administer, and more likely to work."

A spokesman from the environment department defended the valuation system and said: "The valuations had to make certain assumptions and had to start on a certain date. If you start taking into account all these other factors, it becomes an unworkable system.

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### there is no agreement about £1bn earnings tied to Sellafield go-ahead

By MICHAEL MCCARTHY, ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

MORE than £1 billion in advance earnings may have to be paid back to foreign customers if the government can-cels British Nuclear Fuels Thermal Oxide Reprocessing Plant (Thorp) at Sellafield, Cumbria, the plant's director said yesterday.
Thorp is built but awaiting

an operating licence from Michael Howard, the environment secretary. The total cost of not going ahead would be "billions" of pounds, said David Bonser, director of Brit-ish Nuclear Fuels' Thorp

In addition, 2,500 tonnes of spent fuel from nuclear power stations, mainly in Germany and Japan, and already on the site for reprocessing would have to be returned to the countries of origin, mainly Germany and Japan, Mr Bonser said.

Mr Bonser's disclosures underline the dilemma facing the government over the Thorp plant, which was given the go-ahead after a public enquiry in 1977. Its future is being increasingly questioned within Whitehall as well as by the environmental lobby. mainly because of the plutonifrom spent fuel and return to its foreign customers.

Critics fear the plutonium may add to the danger of nuclear weapons proliferation although BNFL said it would not produce weapons-grade

Mr Bonser said it was "inconceivable from an economic point of view" to build and then not operate such a

It has cost about £1.85 billion with nearly another £1 billion being spent on associated "downstream" plants.
About £2 billion of the total

cost has already been provided in advance payments from overseas customers, he said. If the plant did not go ahead, "at least many tens of millions of pounds" would have to be paid back, under the contracts British Nuclear Fuels had signed, and the total amount that would have to be repaid was likely to exceed £1 billion, depending on court cases. The spent fuel from overseas that the plant was built to reprocess into reusable uranium and plutonium and waste would have to be renumed. "We have no contracts

for long-term storage," Mr

### House plays host to a more aggressive class of beggar

MA THEY PARRIS POLITICAL SKETCH

terioo station may have the misfortune of crossing the Thames on foot, over the pedestrian walkway on Hungerford railway bridge. There they will be assailed by various unshaven gentlemen down on their luck, many with Glaswegian accents. Lurching from behind girders or growling from the benches near the stone steps. these unfortunates beleaguer passers-by with garbled tales of woe, demand the price of a cup of tea, and roundly curse

ravellers to Westminster

all who fail to provide it. Should our traveller continue his journey, another seven hundred yards will take him into the Chamber of the House of Commons. Should he be unlucky, the parliamentary business will relate to the government's spending plans for Scotland. He will then re-live his

experience on Hungerford bridge. A wild-eyed assort-ment of Ceits will leap from their benches on the opposi-tion side, describing their woes in violent language, demanding money with menaces, and damning min-ters. Tories and isters, Tories and — by insinuation — the whole English race as the author of their misfortunes. Recalling his recent acquaintances on

Hungerford bridge, our traveller will reflect that the Scots do it with more style in the Commons, but not much. Yesterday — you will have gathered — the Scottish secretary, Ian Lang, announced in parliament the government's public expenditure plans for Scotland. Reason-

able men could argue about whether these plans were generous or adequate. An increase of 3 per cent in real terms in spending on Scot-land takes total spending per head there to 30 per cent

more than in England.

Henry McLeish, however,
Labour's Scottish spokesman yesterday, called it "a
real tragedy". It was complacent. It was rank hypocrisy.
It was a lethal cocktail. It
didn't add up. It did nothing Problems were mounting. Problems were mount-ing by the day, crime stalked

And so on. "All we get is £23m housing investment in Scottish Homes." Shaking with rage and resuming his seat Mr McLeish omitted to ask for the price of a cup of tea, but was cheered lustily by his compatriots for a convincing performance. By way of reply, Mr Lang made

some mild remarks about real increases on road-spend-ing, a Scottish NHS which was 47 per cent better fund-ed than in 1979 and an 11.6 per cent increase on law and opposition benches. If you had thought McLeish unappreciative, now began the real caterwauling.

Jimmy Wray (Glasgow, Provan) found the statement.

"misleading". Jimmy Hood (Lab. Clydesdale) saw "not one penny extra". Ian Da-vidson (Glasgow, Govan), moustache bristling, found in "far, far too little". What hope he asked, for the young unemployed, the elderly in fear of crime, and people in damp houses!

John Maxion (Glasgow,

Cathcart thought it "did nothing". Michael Martin (Glasgow, Springburn) spoke of terrible rain penetration and dampness" Eric Clarke (Midlothian) convict-ed Lang of "the sin of omission: he has omitted so many of the things we want-ed to see". Tommy Graham (Renfrew W & Inverciyde), three chins-a-wobble, found Scottish sewage in a terrible state and water barely fit to

In Kilmarnock and Loudon (William McKelvey) schools were "crumbling". From Dundee E. (John McKellion) was so angry about the "crime wave sweeping the country" that he started shouting and stabbing his finger at Mr Lang before the latter could even reply. Gently, George Foulkes (Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley) spoke of the "Scottish Secretary and his sycophantic acolytes"

then began to shout too.

Andrew Welsh (Angus E)
judged that the "woefully
inadequate" Lang had "let
Scotland down again".

Nigel Griffiths (Edinburgh
S) had visited hospital wards
where pures had no time for where nurses had no time for tea-breaks and found "despair". Summing up. Henry McLeish examined this £1 billion increase and found it to involve "massive cuts".

Finally, an Englishman rose Barry Porter (C, Wirral S) told the Chamber that the North West of England had "twice the population of dence of this afternoon, twice the intelligence".

Porter, who did not have the price of a cup of tea. resumed his seat to a sea of stabbing fingers and a great barrage of Scottish howls.

### BT to cut prices for frequent callers

BT has announced price changes aimed at cutting charges for frequent phone users but the average customer will see bills increase by £5 as line rental prices rise. BT said yesterday that it will freeze call charges for a year from

January next year and announced a package of discount options for customers who make many calls.

BT said the changes were designed to encourage people to make more use of their phones. Britons currently spend an average of four minutes in every 24 hours on the phone compared with six minutes in America. Oftel, the telecommunications regulator, told BT that it must cut its prices by averther 2.1 per cent before lyke if it is a most the prices by another 2.1 per cent before July if it is to meet the requirements of its price control formula. Ringing the changes, page 22 City comment, page 25

### Ransom cash found

Police unearthed £140,000 of the Stephanie Slater ransom last night near a railway at Easton, Lincolnshire. The money had been missing since February when Miss Slater, a Birmingham estate agent, was kidnapped. She was released after the payment of £175,000. Seismic engineers using an electronic detector helped police to find the money.

### Rothschild takes post

Lord Rothschild has become president of the Institute of Jewish Affairs, the leading research body into Jewish political and social matters. It is the first time he has accepted such a post. Lord Rothschild said he was particularly concerned about the rise of anti-Semitism.

### Accident care criticised

More than 100,000 people a year in Britain suffer serious disabilities that could be avoided by better treatment after accidents, a report by the British Orthopaedic Association says. Tom Sackville, junior health minister, said that his department, which was carrying out a study of the treatment of major trauma, would consider the report carefully.

### Coroner's drugs plea

A coroner yesterday gave warning of the danger of mixing drugs with alcohol after the death of Dr David Widgery, 45, a GP in Hackney, east London, who was found in his study in October. He died after vomiting and choking, caused by taking alcohol and a painkiller. Dr Douglas Chambers, the Poplar coroner, recorded a verdict of misadventure.

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# Hospital baby mix-up prompts national review of birth tags

BY LIN JENKINS

HOSPITALS throughout the country are to check their procedure for tagging new-born babies after the possibility of a mix-up at a maternity iospital in Southampton.

While an independent enquiry will try to establish what went wrong, the Princess Anne Maternity Hospital is aware of one child who bore the name of different parents on each of her two identity tags. The mistake was discovered only after another child had been taken home and was found to have the wrong surname on the identity tag still attached

The parents of the two girls born within hours of each other last week will have to wait up to two weeks for the results of blood tests to determine parentage.

Rigorous procedures were introduced in all hospitals in 1971 after two haby girls were sent home with the wrong mothers from Morriston Hospital. Swansea. Since then, dentity tags have been put on babies before they leave the delivery room. The tags are written out and shown to the mother to confirm they are correct before being attached

to the baby's wrist or ankle. In some hospitals, such as the one in Southampton, two identity tags are used, attached to the wrist and ankle.

If the child is to be delivered by Caesarian section, the mother is asked to check the name on the tag before she is given a general anaesthetic. Joe Jordan, spokesman for

the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, said hospitals took the procedure very seriously and would be checking to ensure it was being operated correctly. "It is a mistake that everybody dreads, but I cannot see how it could happen these days," he

He added that while no system was foolproof, with 600,000 babies born each year he could not recall the last time there had been a mix-up. Should one occur, the baby's identity can be confirmed with blood or DNA tests.

In the case that prompted the change in procedure, it was discovered that a mother had taken home the wrong baby only after the child was found to have a heart defect and was given a blood test. In July 1986, two mothers

home refused to believe her, and it was only seven years later when she was allowed access to the records that she could prove her suspicions. Since so much time had passed the two mothers decided not to tell the girls. However, they kept in touch and their

Wheeler spoke about her decision, she said: "For a while ! was deeply upset. I felt that I wanted both children. Now I feel as though I didn't lose a daughter, but gained one, that i have two daughters and two families." The anguish of such mis-

takes was dramatically illustrated in 1986 when an Irish family was forced to take High Court action to win back a child after another couple refused to believe it was not

took home each other's baby from the Freedom Field's Hospital in Phymouth, Devon,

but discovered their mistake

when they saw that the identi-ty tags bore the wrong names.

The most celebrated case was in 1936 when Blanche

Rylatt and Margaret Wheeler

brought up each other's daughter after they were mixed up at a Nottingham nursing borne. Mrs Wheeler

had been convinced that she

had taken home the wrong

child, but staff at the nursing

daughters grew up knowing

Years later, when Mrs

their real mothers as "aunt".

The baby boys had been given the wrong name tags at Portlaoise General Hospital. One couple refused to believe a mistake had occurred, and only after being compelled to undertake blood and tissue tests that confirmed the parentage of both children did they swap the child. Michael McHugh, the

father, said after the court case: "For ten days, that baby was our whole life. Now my wife feels she is starting again from scratch learning to love the new child." The error was noticed by

medical staff when the babies' weights bore little relation to the birth weights recorded on their identity tags.

Eaby mix-up. page 1



Shattered lives: from left, Julie Godwin, Cuan Cronje, Tim Godwin and Elizabeth Over together in Britain

### Police hunt killers of British women

By Ray Kennedy in Johannesburg and Harvey Elliott

POLICE investigating the murder of two British women in South Africa yesterday said they might be able to identify the killers soon.

The mutilated bodies of Elizabeth Over and Julie Godwin, both 30, were found on an isolated beach at Sordwana Bay in northern Natal near the Mozambique border on Tuesday. They had been assaulted and thrown into the sea after putting up a fierce struggle against their attackers. Police believe they might have been raped.

Officers found bloodstains and fingerprints in the pickup truck the women had used to drive to the beach to sunbathe on Monday. Postmortem examinations to discover exactly how the women died will be carried out after they have been formally

Julie Godwin's husband, Timothy, 32, was due to fly to South Africa tomorrow to visit her with their daughter Sophie-Elizabeth, 18 months. Mr Godwin recalled the moment last week at Heathrow ly. They had booked into a Airport when he last saw his nature reserve near Sordwife. "She cried as she walked wana in the Makatini Flats away from me. She always got upset when we were

friends and assumed they

would be safe travelling to-

gether. They were obviously

Miss Over went to South

Africa in February to be with

her fiance, Cuan Cronje, in

Mr Godwin, who ran a on their own." family computer business with his wife, said his immediate task was to try to minimise the effects on Sophie-Elizabeth and explain to her that her mother would er thought about it. We not be returning. "Sophie doesn't know what is going worried all the time but Elizabeth was an intrepid explorer who loved advenon. She is too young." Speaking at Long Buckby, ture. She and Julie were old

Northamptonshire, the family was in rented accommodation while a home in nearby Spratton was being renovated, Mr Godwin said: "I suppose the lesson one must learn from this is that, if you go to South Africa, you don't go out of the main cities." He said his wife and "Lizzie" had planned their an advertising executive. Last night, Mr Cronje was due to identify her body. holiday together very careful-Miss Over and Mrs Godwin first met 11 years ago at

become firm friends. region. "But they were in a A Foreign Office spokestourist area. They weren't man said that there were no just going out into the bush plans yet to bring the bodies pack to Britain for burial Miss Over's mother Diana. "We are standing by to help of St Albans, Hertfordshire, the relatives in any way we said yesterday: "She travelled can but it will now essentially all over the world to the most be for them to decide what is dangerous parts but she nevdone with the bodies when

they are released." The murders will be seen as blow to tourism in South Africa, where the industry had been experiencing a boom since moves towards political reforms began three years ago. Although crime igures are soaring to alarm ing levels throughout South Africa the trouble had not, until this week, affected for-

teacher training college and

### **Doctors** convicted of killing prisoner

BY PETER VICTOR

TWO police doctors who killed a remand prisoner by prescribing excess doses of five drugs were convicted of manslaughter yesterday.

One of the defendants, Dr Dhirendra Saha, 54, was not in court for the verdice, having collapsed in the dock on Tuesday with a suspected heart attack. He was in hospi-

tal yesterday.
Mr Justice Curtis adjourned sentence on both men. He granted bail to Churlam Salim, 54, but warned him that he faced a jail sentence. He said he would need a detailed medical report on Saha.

The jury, which spent a night at a hotel and was out for nine and a half hours, convicted both on majority verdicts of 10-2. The doctors were GPs in Grimsby, working part time as police surgeons. Salim, of Waltham, near Grimsby, and Saha, of Grimsby, had pleaded not guilty to manslaughter.

Peter Birt QC, for the prose-cution, said that the remand prisoner, Graham Rawlinson. a former heroin addict, was transferred to Grimsby police station from Strangeways prison, Manchester, in May 1990, after riots at the jail. He was prescribed massive amounts of drugs by the two

doctors, including the heroin substitute methadone. Prisoners moved Strangeways were given tranquillisers to quieten them after the trauma of the riots. Mr Rawlinson was given five times the maximum safe dose

of some drugs.

Mr Rawlinson, 23, of Levenshulme, Manchester, changed from a fit, alert and cheerful young man into "a zombie-like figure", Mr Birt said. He was seen staggering about the police station in a half-dazed condition and with

his eyes glazed. Within ten days of his arrival at Grimsby he went into a coma and was taken to hospital. He was discharged and sent back to the police cells where he again went into a coma and died.

Mr Birt said that the death of Mr Rawlinson — from waterlogging of the lungs brought on by the drugs - was unlawful killing by reckless or gross negligence.

### Family of four dies on Jersey

Identity crisis: the hospital where tags were lost

BY BILL FROST

POLICE hunting for the husband of a woman murdered with her children on Jersey disclosed last night that his

body had been found.

Maria Gomes, 39, had been found stabbed to death in a flat on the Elysée estate in the island's capital following a 999 call to police. The bodies of her children Simon, 12, and Christopher, eight, were discovered later in a Volvo car.

Police had been anxious to trace João Gomes, 40, the woman's estranged husband. Last night they said that the body of the unemployed hotel porter had been found during the afternoon less than a quarter of a mile from his wife and children.

For some hours after the 999 call the whereabouts of Simon, who attended nearby D'Hautree School, and Christopher, who went to Rouge Bouillon School, was not known. Their bodies were discovered at about 11pm.

Last June. Mr Gomes was summoned by his wife to appear in court for separation and maintenance proceedings. He is said to have left the family home earlier in the year. The couple had been married for 13 years. They moved to Jersey from Portugal

THE man named today as the next Master of Mariborough College has set himself the task of keeping the Wiltshire public school out of the headlines.

Mariborough has been dogged by a series of highly publicised incidents involving sex and drugs. David Cope, the present Master, who has expelled 20 ramils in seven years, has complained

pupils in seven years, has complained that press reports have painted the school inaccurately as "a den of iniquity with rampaging adolescents out of

Edward Gould, the headmaster of Felsted School in Essex, will succeed Mr

Cope next August Mr Gould said yesterday that he would make a few

immediate changes, but would not authorise girls to take contraceptive pills.

Last month, Dr Barney Rosedale, the

school's medical officer, was consured for

### Drugs may have led to student's death

AN OXFORD student plunged to his death from a second storey window yesterday after allegedly taking a cocktail of tequila and halluci-

nogenic drugs. Henry Skelton, 21, a second year fine art student at New College, died in the intensive care unit of the John Radcliffe Hospital after falling 25ft from the window of his girl friend's room. Police were yesterday investigating allega-tions that Mr Skelton, a former choral scholar at Marlborough College, had taken

an hallucinogenic drug and had crawled out of the window in the belief that he could fly. Oxford CID said: "It app-ears drugs and drink played a part in his death although we do not yet know what sort."

The university and student union declined to comment on an incident which they described as a "college mai-ter". Harvey McGregor, warden of New College, said that Mr Skelton's talents as a sculptor were highly regarded by his tutors at the Ruskin School of Fine Art, "It would appear that he has fallen from the top window. We are not at this stage aware of how he fell and the police are obviously investigating the matter." The latest Oxford tragedy will reawaken uncomfortable

By MATTHEW D'ANCONA Olivia Channon six years ago. The 32-year-old government

> amines and champagne at a post-finals celebration in Christ Church. A Cambridge student with a history of depressive illness who was found dead in his college room will be buried tomorrow. An inquest was told that Sam Butterell, aged 20, reading philosophy at Queens'

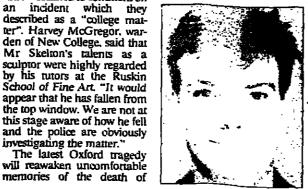
minister's daughter died after

mixing heroin, amphet-

College. was electrocated.

John Pullord, senior counsellor at the university, said that this year 624 students had sought advice. The recession had made a big difference because students were under more pressure to succeed, he said.

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New Marlborough head to ban the Pill

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

prescribing contraceptive pills to a 15-year-old pupil in another girl's name. Mr Cope has admitted that several Marlbor.

ough girls, including a small number under the age of 16, are still taking the

Mr Gould has nine years' experience of running a partly co-educational school. Felsted introduced girls in the sixth form

shortly after Marlborough, but without the attendant publicity.

"I believe in the evolution of schools,

rather than revolution, so I will not be

going with a fixed set of ideas of things !

want implemented, regardless of anyone else's views," Mr Gould said. "I hope to

help Mariborough maintain progress academically and socially, so that it can

Mr Cope introduced to a school with a

liberal tradition a firm disciplinary code,

emerge from a difficult period."

### BA pilot in near miss found dead

By HARVEY ELLIOTT AIR CORRESPONDENT

A BRITISH Airways pilot convicted of negligence after his jumbo jet flew to within 12ft of a Heathrow hotel has been found dead in a fume-

had tried unsuccesfully to start a new flying career. He resigned from British Airways soon after the near miss in November 1989 and had been living in Wokingham. Berkshire, on a pension of £24,000 a year instead of the £70,000 he received as a senior captain. He was married with three children.

Isleworth Crown Court was told in May last year that his jet, with 255 passengers on board, narrowly missed buildings on the main A4 Bath Road alongside Heathrow as it came in to land. The prosecution was brought by the Civil Aviation Authority. He was found guilty of endangering his aircraft and passen-gers and fined £2.000. After the trial, he said: "I believe I have been made a scapegoat."

The body was found on Tuesday by a man walking his dog at St Andrews West Sands beach. Fife, ten miles from where Mr Stewart was born. A hosepipe from the exhaust

including mandatory urine testing for suspected drug-takers. Mr Gould will

rule on that policy after meeting the staff.
"My view of liberalism is that you give sufficient space for individual strengths to develop. If it means freedom without

responsibility, I will not accept it."
Mr Gould, 49, is a county rugby player
and international carsman. He is also a

prominent and popular figure in the Head Masters Conference. He chaired the independent schools' curriculum committee during the introduction of the

Mariborough is the second leading public school this week to name a new head. Yesterday, Charterhouse School announced that Peter Hobson, the headmaster of Giggleswick School in North Vortebies would succeed Bates

North Yorkshire, would succeed Peter

Attenborough next September.

national curricul

# Captain Glen Stewart, 54,

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SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY.

# Complaints against banks soar for second year running

THE number of complaints about banks increased by 60 per cent to more than 10,000 in the year to the end of September, Laurence Shurman, the banking ombudsman, reported yesterday. This follows a similar increase

top the list of complaints at 1,939. This is almost double last year's tally of 1,004. While the ombudsman cannot make judgments on whether the interest rates and charges

By LIN JENKINS

THE pensioner who was

asked to pay £3 to change a £10 note at Lloyds Bank would

have found similar charges at some other banks. None would charge their

personal customers but some business clients changing money regularly would be subject to an agreed tariff.

The fee demanded and then

waived at the Lloyds branch in

Debden, Essex, was the flat fee

being levied are exorbitant, he can order compensation when the calculations are wrong or there is some other maladministration.

disquieting if a bank miscalcu-lates something. One tends to rely on a bank getting it right. In one case I awarded interest and then found the bank had miscalculated and had to award some more."

Another customer successfully challenged a bank's change from an overdraft rate

applied to non-customers changing notes into coins or coins into notes. It is levied at

the discretion of the branch

manager, usually for small

transactions only at the busiest times of day. "We are seen as a public utility, but things have changed," Geraldine Davis, a spokesman, said.

Midland Bank imposes a

charge of £2 per £100 with a

minimum fee of £2 to non-

customers. Individual manag-

and was refunded the difference over several years. The bank had been unable to prove that the customer had received a letter detailing the change, which was too important for the bank to vary it unilaterally, Mr Shurman

He was also critical of the insensitivity of computer-gen-erated letters. While there was little the ombudsman could do

impose the charge if the sums involved are small. National

Westminster instructs branch

managers to charge what they

feel is appropriate if they

believe that offering the service would affect that offered to account customers. The Royal

Bank of Scotland operates the same guideline while Bardays

allows its managers the option

of refusing to change money.

Abbey National said it

would not charge but might

Customers who might be able to charge £25 an hour or more for their work were not em-ployed in that capacity when they wrote to banks. Their time was worth £5-£10 an hour, he said, although if an Why managers opt to coin it in employee lost money by taking time off work for bank meet-ings this would be met.

The ombudsman said that the banking code introduced in March should reduce complaints. The limit of loss through cash cards for E50 enshrined in the code should operate unless there was proof that the customer had been

according to a bank's tariff

time, he said it sometimes

seemed insensitive to levy charges for letters and other

charges out of proportion with the overdraft.

Customers were not entitled to charge as much for their letters during disputes as banks levied for their corres-pondence, said Mr Shurman.

grossly negligent.
Of the 772 complaints in vestigated, cash-dispenser dis-putes accounted for more than a third. Compensation was paid in 36 per cent of cases.





post-60s

Yuletide present and past: a Christmas tree in the form of a metal sculpture from the Coca-Cola Festival of Trees, at Sotheby's until December 8, and the traditional type, as popular today as it was in Victorian times

Practise your motorway driving. Stare intently

at this page.

### Champers on ice as we round the Horn

The leading yachts in the British Steel round the world race have now passed Cape Horn. Vivien Cherry, the skipper of Coopers & Lybrand, reports



very short night, only and daybreak. Our waiting and wanting had come to an end; we had passed Cape

On December 1, 1992, at 0530 GMT, the 14 people on board became members of the elite band of Cape Horners. What a brilliant feeling it was, with all the crew on deck taking photographs of each other hold-ing a white wooden door on written.

It was possible to make out the silhouetted shape of the famous rock, but I doubt if any photographs will show it. Euphoria came easily with three bottles of champagne, and toasts were drunk to Chay Blyth and to each other as fellow Cape Horners. Homage was also paid to Neptune a mug of champers.

It was Chay Blyth who made the whole thing possible, and who sold his idea of a challenge to these notso-ordinary people. This was the adventure they had come for, the thrills and spills of sailing in the notorious Southern Ocean, and the conquest of the most frightening seaway in the world: Cape Horn, A more sobering thought was of all the past sailors who badn't make it, and of the conditions they must have had to

The conditions now are ideal, a northwesterly breeze giving us a calm sea and good boat speed of nine knots. The temperature has dropped to 8C, and the boat is beginning to run with

Breakfast was a real blowout celebration, with saubled egg, cheese and mushto the next excuse for a party: Christmas or half way round the world, or maybe

display of natural phenomerainbow off the port bow. The distant icy mountains and glaciers of Isla Hosta and Tierra del Fuego were seen clearly reflecting all far less than 50 miles away.

Before we reached the Hom we saw several icebergs. The magic of seeing one for the first time is unforgettable. There is something eerie, yet graceful and magnificent about these great lumps of ice. Regular sightings of whales. seals and new species of birds, especially albatrosses, brought cries of delight and half the crew running on

E motionally it has all been a real high, tinged only by slight disapseen the Cape clearly and having no photographic reminders, but then some of the mystery remains for the next time. It feels colder today, more than just the temperature drop; perhaps also the thought of our first storm. The lead yacht, just 200 miles ahead with storm sails set, is battling against force 10 winds, and the bad

weather is heading our way. Meanwhile it is back to the old routine, four hours on, four off, change sails, trim sails, eat and sleep. There's still a long way to go, and a yacht ahead that

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### **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**

SHIMANO: Safety First

Quality control checks have revealed that a quantity of brake lever damps might contain a fault which could result in the brake lever on the handlebar becoming loose during operation. The problem affects a small number of damps used with Altus brake levers bearing the code C10. This code, in pink, is clearly visible on the front side of the brake lever, where the brake lever is fastened to the handlebars. All owners of bicycles fitted with Shimano brake levers, who have purchased the bicycle since the end of September 1992, should check their brake levers for this code and also the handlebar clamp for the production code 'G'. If both of these markings are present or if you are in any doubt whatsoever you should contact the dealer from whom you purchased the cycle, for a free inspection and replacement if necessary. Clamps bearing any other marking, including 'Q-G', are not affected.

Fog, warning signs and hold ups all add up to a winter of discontent. If it wasn't for the train, we'd all go dotty. INTERCITY

Survey peeps into Britain's bedrooms

# Sex still rules for the post-60s generation

By Jeremy Laurance, health services corresegndent

MOST sexually active Britons have one partner at a time and there are fewer gay relation-ships than has been thought, according to the largest survey of sexual behaviour undertak-

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en in this country. Men are more sexually active than women, professionals more than workers and the young more than the old. But a key finding of the study, conducted by Dr Anne Johnson of the University College London Medical School and colleagues, is that the post-1960s generation now aged 25 to 44 may have the most sexual intercourse.

The evidence shows that people over 45, who grew up in a less permissive age, have had fewer physical partners than those aged 25-44 whose sex lives began in the liberal 1960s or later. The post-Aids generation now aged 16-24, one in five of whom is a virgin, appears to be displaying more caution in its approach to sex.

The el million survey was funded by the Wellcome Trust after being banned by Marga-ret Trancher when she was prime minister because she feared that questioning people about minute matters would prove the intrusive. The results

prove the intrusive. The results also suggest that fewer men seek sect with other men than has been thought. One in 17 men admits to having had sex with another man at some point at one in 70 says he has hat somosexual partner in the factive years.

The figure is much higher in London, where one in 20 men result having had a homosectial partner in the last five years confirming the city's reputation as a centre for gays. But it is a much lower than suggested to the 1948 Kinsey Report in America, which Report in America, which found that 30 per cent said they had had a homosexual

experience.

Preliminary results from the study, baseds on interviews with 19,000 randomly selectwith 19,000 randomy selected men and women aged 1659 and published in today's
Nature magazine, show that
people's sex lives vary widely
with some remaining virgins
throughout their lives (less
than 2 per cest) and a few
having hundreds of partners.
One per cent of men have 16 One per cent of men have 16 per cent of the sex, in terms of numbers of partners in the past five years, and I per cent of women have 12 per cent of

the sex. A minority choose one partner for life, except for women over 45, more than half of whom have had a lifelong monogamous relationship. Among men in the same age group, less than a third have stayed with a single partner and at all ages women are more loyal than men, twice as

many saying they have had only one partner. The study, which provides information for estimating the likely course of the HIV and Aids epidemic, suggests that serial monogamy (one faithful relationship after another) is the most common pattern for people's lives, with more than half of the over-25s reporting only one partner in the last five years. But the researchers said

one partner simultaneously. A similar French survey, however, also published in Nature, suggests that this is common practice across the Channel among those aged 35-49, with one third of the men and half the women declaring at least two sexual partners at the same time.

that they did not know how

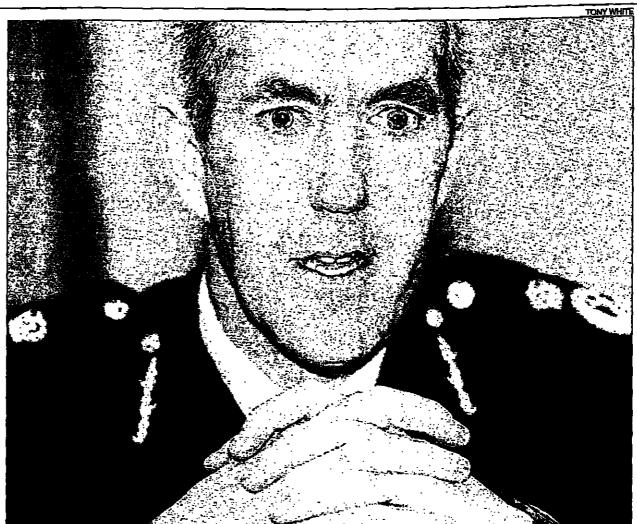
many people had more than

Single people, irrespective of their age or whether they had been married, were ten times more likely to have had two or more partners in the past year and people in social classes I and II twice as likely.

"People in the upper socio-economic groups have the highest incomes, are more mobile, have higher education and more opportunity to meet partners and marry later." said Kaye Wellings, one of the researchers.

In all age groups, men report more partners than women, implying that there are a few women who have a very large number of partners.
"But it is possible that in a society with double standards. men find it socially easier to report more partners than women," she said. The survey was conducted

by 500 interviewers in the subjects' own homes between May 1990 and December 1991. Questions were Questions were phrased to minimise embarrassment and contained 185 consistency checks to ensure respondents were telling the



Back to basics: Paul Condon says the British bobby's Dixon of Dock Green image was rose-tinted

# Yard's new chief urges police to abandon social engineering

PAUL Condon, who steps into the toughest policing job stable out there waiting to be in mainland Britain next year, said yesterday he expected his officers to return to basic policing and rid

themselves of any ideas that they can change society. Mr Condon takes over from Sir Peter Imbert as commissioner of the Metropolitan Police in February. An opera lover with an MA in law from Oxford, he also called for greater realism from the community about what the police could achieve

constable of Kent for the past three years, is the youngest man to be given the Met's top job. "What the police cannot be about is social engineering. I don't think there is a

in tackling crime in a more

Mr Condon, 45 and chief

violent society.

By RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

appointed who is going to come up with a magic formula to manage crime out of society."
In his first big interview since his appointment. Mr Condon said the police had been guilty of pretending there was a managerial sol-ution to crime. "There was a notion that somehow the police service could problemsolve crime out of the community. If there were enough clever ideas, if there was enough agency co-operation,

if there were enough conferences and seminars to discuss crime, somehow there was a formula to be

While the Home Office is considering producing a white paper on the police "We've got to catch villians

next year, Mr Condon said there had to be a more open and honest assessment of

what the police could do and what the public could expect. "Many of the things that have gone wrong in the past have not been because police officers were fundamentally bad. I think they have been working in a pressure cooker of a system which they have

tried to make work. I'm not defending wrongdoing, but I can understand how pressure led to that wrongdoing." Mr Condon is expected to press ahead with community policing and devolving responsibility to local stations.

He also wants the police to have more flexibility to dismiss officers. Effective, efficient policing, did not need shortcuts. and we're doing that successfully. But I'm not prepared to buy the 'ends justify the

means' [argument], where if having to be fitted up, that is a pain. That is a very dangerous path. It's laziness: it's 20year-old police culture to suggest that we are the thin blue line protecting society and anything goes." Mr Condon said the Met he joined 26 years ago had

been poorly trained, fairly brutal and suffered from quite a lot of malpractice. The public had had a "rose-tinted image of Dixon of Dock Green in which British police were believed to have the highest standards in the world. Paradoxically, as Britain's standards had improved, the service's reputation had declined.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Saudi royal struggles to raise bail

A member of the Saudi royal family accused of possessing heroin, cocaine, Ecstasy and cannabis in his London hotel room on July 9, was granted £50,000 bail at Horseferry

Road Court yesterday, but said he did not have anyone to stand surety for him.
Prince Khalid Faisal Saud. 41, a relative of King Fahd, was arrested on Tuesday for allegedly failing to pay a £160,000 bill at The Lanesborough Hotel in the west end of London where he had been staying with his wife and daughter since July. He was

then charged with the drug offences.

Gerard Boyd, for the defence, said there was "some embarrasment on the defendant's behalf" and said at-

### tempts were being made to contact the prince's family to obtain funds.

Venus honour Two Cambridge academics have had a crater on the planet Venus named after them. Sid-nie and Irene Manton, who were at Girton College in the 1920s were nominated for the honour by the university at the invitation of the American Geological Survey. During distinguished academic ca-

reers, both became fellows of the Royal Society, the only in-stance of sisters achieving such a distinction. **US** grant Cambridge University yesterday announced its largest ever social science grant \$1.9 million from an American trust to support the university's global security programme. It is the first time that the Pew

### Charitable Trusts, based in Philadelphia, have sponsored

Sentence cut

work at a British university.

Debbie McInally, 17, who was jailed for 18 months for being "cheeky and defiant" in the witness box during an attempted murder trial last month, had her sentence halved by three appeal judges in Edinburgh. Lord Penrose in the High Court at Airdrie had told Miss McInally, of Hamilton. Strathclyde, she had lied and deliberately flouted the court's authority.

## Prince seeks help for abused offenders

SEXUALLY abused children Grace O'Neill spoke of her who grow up to become violent adults and commit similar crimes need more help and understanding from all agencies working in the justice system, the Prince of Wales

said yesterday.
On a visit to Pentonville prison in north London, where he met some of the hundreds of teenagers who have been helped by the Prince's Trust Young Offender Group, the prince called for

more co-operation and more community-based projects. He told a conference at the jail that a report evaluating the four years' work of the youngoffender group drew attention to the needs of offenders who had suffered abuse. "This will encourage us all to find ways of tackling the multiple and complex issues which arise in the imprisonment and treat-

ment of these particular young offenders." More research was needed to establish how abuse and later offences were linked. Kenneth Clarke, the home secretary, told the conference that he was much in favour of

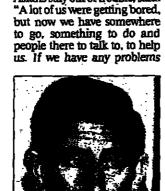
closer co-operation and that the work of the trust was an object lesson in the way partnerships between different groups could help young people. "Offenders don't have to fester behind prison walls,"

Some young offenders told benefited from trust grants. Darren, 20, who is serving a life sentence for murder, explained how he was able to set up a rock band at Redbank Special School, Merseyside, and to buy equipment to become a disc jockey.

"It has really changed me. It means that I can approach people and get on with them." said Darren, who was sentenced at the age of 13. He goes to concerts with the band and also has trips outside the special school as a disc jockey.

BY RAY CLANCY work with the London-based Clean Break Theatre Company, set up to help women offenders. "I had no motivation to do anything and was completely unemployable. I saw a leaflet, decided to go

along and it gave me a new interest and a new start," she Imran Khan of the West Bowling Youth Initiative in Bradford, set up to help young Asians stay out of trouble, said:



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totalling £450,000 and a report on its work, called Changing Inside, concludes that those involved might otherwise have been condemned as an unpopular section of society. "Stereotypes have been demotished, barriers have been broken down and untapped skills have surfaced. The group has taken a calculated risk by investing in the human potential of young people whose behaviour had already merited society's condemnation. It has given them a chance."

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### Lawyer died after falling from window

A BARRISTER who suffered from multiple sclerosis fell 40ft to her death as she tried to open a window at the High Court, an inquest was told

Jane Bristow Nash, 48, was still alive when a maintenance man found her at the foot of the building. She was taken to hospital with multiple injuries but was dead on arrival.

daughter of the retired High Court judge Sir Peter Bristow. She walked with a stick and had been forced to give up a promising law career because of the debilitating disease, the inquest at Poplar, east London, was told. She worked part time as a

law reporter for a property magazine. Estates Gazette. and was based at the High Court. No one saw her fall but Robert Hamilton, a colleague. found her stick on her desk and the window open.

Dr Douglas Chambers, the coroner, said: The only explanation is that she had trouble opening the window and fell through." A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

Mrs Bristow Nash, of Barbican, central London, was the

# Dealers find new life

By SARAH JANE CHECKLAND yesterday put his company's

SOME of Britain's leading art and antiques dealers have been weathering the recession well and those specialising in oriental art have increased their turnover, a report published yesterday says. But statistics in the survey of

members by the British Antique Dealers' Association suggested an estimated overall turnover for the entire membership of £430 million to £435 million, a downturn of 8 per cent in the year up to June 30. 1992. Six per cent of members improved their performance by 20 per cent or more, but two members were forced into liquidation, and seven recreated to their homes

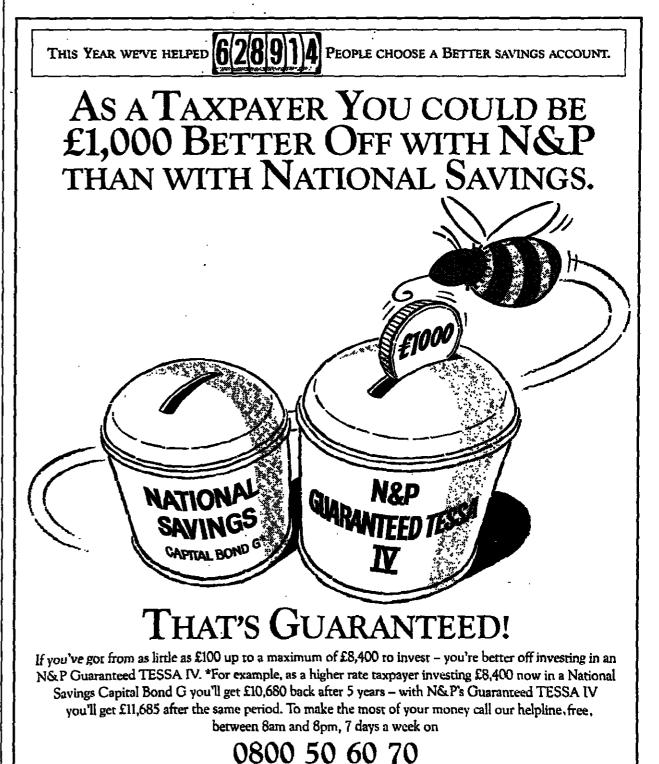
to continue trading. The statistics come from data supplied by 223 of the 392 members who completed a questionnaire.

Philip Constantinidi, of Eskenazi, the oriental dealers. per cent downturn.

success down to the international appeal of his speciality. The recession is international, but it is phased at different times for different countries. When America was down a year or two ago. Europe was buoyant. Now America is coming up again, and one can switch one's aims."

Elaine Dean, secretary of the association, said: "We will finish this year only three members fewer than last year, which is amazing given the Cimate. London's status as the inter-

national art market capital did not noticeably decline, despite fears that business would drift abroad. About 46 per cent of sales in London, the South East and the South were to overseas buyers, a slight in-crease on 1990-1. But picture and print dealers suffered a 12



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# Merseyside's warship yard closes after 165 years

By Patricia Tehan AND RONALD FAUX

THE Cammell Laird ship-yard, which built the Ark Royal aircraft carrier and the Prince of Wales battleship, is to close in July with the loss of more than 900 jobs.

The battle to keep open the shipyard in Birkenhead, Merseyside, ended with an announcement yesterday from VSEL, the owner, that in spite of the efforts of management, the workforce and local MPs. a buyer had not been found.

The jobs will go with the completion of work on AOR Fort Victoria, a replenishment ship, and HMS Unicorn, the last conventional submarine. The yard began building war-ships in 1828, when a 60-ton iron lighter was ordered. Two years ago, when VSEL announced that a buyer was being sought, the yard employed 2,000.

Noel Davies, chief executive of VSEL said the closure was a result of government policies that prevented Cammell Laird having access to the European Commission's Shipbuilding Intervention Fund and reduced warship building. Other factors were the prolonged recession and delay in a decision on the Liverpool Bay to Point of Air gasfield project, which could have brought work to the yard.

VSEL also has a shipyard in Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria, where 1,000 of the 8,000 jobs could also go. Mr Davies said the firm had held talks with several shipbuilders and ship-owners since 1990 in an effort to find a way to keep the yard working and to avoid further redundancies. There were no takers, however, and VSEL is

**A** development of houses, shops and business parks is proposed to take the place of the historic shipyard

now seeking planning permission for industrial, residential, retail, office and leisure development on the site. If it receives permission, it will sell the site or look for a partner to develop it.

The closure was much regretted. Mr Davies said: "We are fully aware of the impact it will have on Cammell Laird's employees and on the people of Birkenhead. To maximise future employment on the site, we believe that it is now our responsibility to take a longer-term view and to consider the best way in which the site can be developed to attract indus-

The news was a painful though not unexpected blow to Merseyside, which already has high unemployment as a result of other big closures. There are fears now about the knock-on effect on local traders and suppliers.
The GMB union, which

represents half the workers at the yard, described the closure as "the end of an era" in British shipbuilding. Peter Horan, GMB regional secretary, said: "Today's announcement is not just about the loss of 972 jobs but the loss of highly skilled people who are needed to help get Britain out of recession. What more could we have done when faced with a government that has never accepted that Britain, as a

marnime nation, must be prepared to support shipbuild-ing? We want to see government intervention to regenerate the yard, not as a tourist attraction but as a centre for manufacturing."

Jim McFall, national secre-

tary of the union's technical and craft section, added: "Yards in eastern Germany are given a 36 per cent subsidy while our government has stood idly by and refused to plan properly for the peace dividend. There is no economic industrial or social logic to ic. industrial or social logic to what they have done."

Cammell Laird has produced a long line of fighting ships including the 35,000-ton Prince of Wales, the battleship launched in 1941, and the Ark Royal launched in 1955. In 1939, the 34,000ton liner Mauretania slipped into the Mersey from the yard. VSEL wanted to turn the

yard over to merchant ship construction but because it as designated a warship yard, access to the European Community support scheme

The scheme was set up in 1985 to provide subsidies for western European merchant shipbuilders in competition with Far Eastern rivals. This year, subsidies are running at 9 per cent, but have been as high as 20 per cent of the cost of any ship built, provided no profit was made. Without this assistance, Cammell Laird was not able to compete for merchant-shipbuilding or-

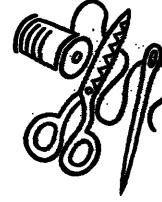
Frank Field, Labour MP for Birkenhead, is demanding an emergency Commons debate

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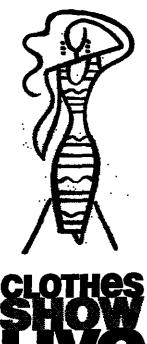
Proud tradition: the Ark Royal under construction in the 1950s at the Birkenhead yard, which began building warships in 1828







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### EC partners tackle Shephard over Britain's jobs policy

BY PHILIP BASSETT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

BRITAIN will today ask its European partners to support the government's strategy on unemployment, according to a confidential document seen by The Times. But other EC states are likely to criticise Britain for trying to recom-mend policies that have

caused high unemployment.
Gillian Shephard, the employment secretary, will chair a meeting of the EC's social affairs council in Brussels. While contentious issues such as the 48-hour working week and the establishment of European-style works councils are not on the agenda, Britain is likely to face a dispute over the proposals it has tabled for

The way it isn't



two weeks ago about my father's quirky belief in one who sits in a chair when they can easily sit on grass. I have received a polite enquiry from a reader. "Forgive me for asking," she writes. "but if your father is so alert to what is common, why on earth did he christen

you Craig?"
I am still struggling to come up with the right reply. Perhaps. I thought, Craig is a variant on a name that is rather grander, like Cedric or Claud. Alas, when I looked in a dictionary of names, I discovered that Craig is a variant on "Cliff", which I would have thought if anything is one rung down the social ladder. Of course, when I was born, in 1957, Craigs were few and far between, possibly even rather select. Unlike many names that are now considered reasonably distinguished — Pamela (from Richard-son's novel). Wendy (from Peter Pan) and Kim (from Kipling's nov-el) — it was not simply culled from a hero in a

popular book. Nor was it, like Miss Nightingale's Florence or Miss Clinton's Chelor Miss Clinton's Chel-sea. originally cribbed from a place-name. Like today's pooh-poohed girl's name of Kylie, which is an Aboriginal word meaning "curl" or "boomerang", Craig has a long and gritty history. Why, then, has it been decreed common? It all decreed common? It all seems hopelessly unfair. If only President Sharon were alive I'm sure he'd

agree with me.

reducing unemployment across the Community.
UK officials believed the proposals would be reasonably well received, since an infor-

mai meeting of European employment ministers at Chepstow in October had raised few objections to them. But experts close to the Community's social action pro-gramme said yesterday that Belgian, French and Italian officials had made clear that their countries were likely to object to the programme be-

ing put forward for approval. They claim it will be hard for other countries to stomach being given a recipe for dealing with unemployment by a country that has 2.87 million people out of work - almost one-fifth of total unemploy-

ment across the Community.

The British resolution for the council meeting emphasises the need to tackle "serious and deterioratunemployment rate across the Community, which

it says is "a major waste of talent and resources". The British government has uncharacteristically acknowledged that unemployment is

likely to run on for years. The government not only says that unemployment is a "grave problem generally". but admits it is "a particularly serious matter for certain regions and areas of the Community, and for vulnerable groups in society".

In spite of the government's domestic difficulties over the path to economic and monetary union laid down in the Maastricht treaty, its paper on unemployment for today's meeting says that "greater convergance and economic and social cohesion", as well as "greater stability in currency markets" in the wake of Britain's withdrawal from the European exchange-rate mechanism are needed to increase the prospects for business growth, investment and employment.



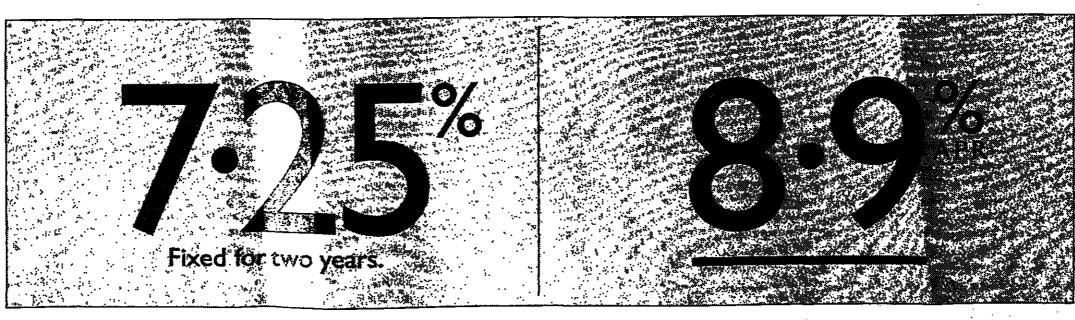
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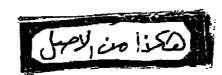
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# Labour backs away from row over party links with unions

THE Labour leadership appeared last night to be backing away from an internal row over its investigation of the party's links with the trade

The enquiry set up after John Smith's election as party leader in July now seems unlikely to come up with a firm set of recommendations on the future of the conference block vote, procedures for electing the leader and the selection of parliamentary candidates, and will instead present a set of options to the ruling national executive in

January.
The NEC is then expected to put out the proposals for widespread consultation with the Labour movement.

The 'British

disease'

still claims

victims

BY PHILIP BASSETT

BRITAIN'S position in the international league table of strikes has not improved, in spite of the marked fall in strike activity, according to new figures released today by

Government ministers and

officials try to deflect attention from rising joblessness by pointing to the "success" of

declining strike levels in Brit-

ain, and claim this marks a

revolution in Britain's indus-

trial relations, driven princi-

pally by changes in the law

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tives. However, new interna-

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today by the employment de-

partment show that in terms

of working days lost through

strikes, Britain has main-

tained its roughly middle-

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The employment depart-ment claims that this position

other competitor countries.

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procedure means that a widely leaked draft of the review's interim conclusions suggesting that the unions are to retain a key influence in the selection of candidates and the election of party leader has been downgraded to an

The draft will be presented to the NEC next month along-side more radical proposals suggesting a straight one member, one vote system for the selection of candidates and a new system for electing party leaders involving only party members and MPs, but excluding the unions. These are favoured by Mr Smith.

Senior Labour figures admitted last night that the

leadership might be opening itself up to criticism that it was ducking the issue. However, they felt that the procedure would be the most likely way of giving Mr Smith the out-come he wants from the

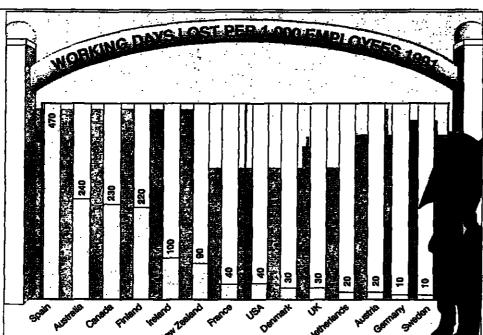
A consultation process within the unions and the local parties is deemed almost certain to reject the plan put forward in the draft report for union members to become "registered supporters" and to vote in the election of party leader and the selection of parliamentary

The plan has been proposed by a section of the GMB general union but is opposed as impracticable by other

unions, and even part of the GMB.

Mr Smith is expected to make his views clearly known as the process continues. At yesterday's meeting of the review Tony Clarke, the party chairman, is reported to have deplored the series of leaks that have emanated from it in recent days, and said that they had made the committee's

task all the more difficult. Party figures said the change of procedure reflected the strong opposition that had greeted the initial reports suggesting that the review would eave the unions with a strong influence in areas where it was expected after Mr Smith's election it would be sharply



an improvement on the UK's position in previous years, but in fact similar comparisons made by the department over the last decade and more have always placed Britain roughly in the

Strikes have declined in all 20 countries examined over the past ten years, the department's new figures show, and Britain's position has largely

middle of the league table.

The department says that Britain lost through strikes an annual average of 130 days per 1,000 employees, or about one working hour a year. This is 70 per cent lower than the five years to 1987, and by looking at the period 1987-1991 the department claims that this is the fourth-sharpest

cent). Norway and Denmark

fall, behind Germany (90 per

middle-ranking rate is maintained at 30,000 working days lost per 1,000 employees. Top of the table is Spain, with 470,000 days lost.

The most strike-prone sector in Britain is now public ad-ministration, education and health, accounting for 60 per cent of working days lost in the 12 months to September. Pay is no longer the biggest cause of strikes, having been over-

### Whitehall takes next step to efficiency

BY MICHAEL DYNES WHITEHALL

ANOTHER 29 government departments have been short-listed for executive agency status as part of the government's at-tempts to boost civil service efficiency, it was

announced yesterday.

The short-listed departments, which include the prison service, the royal parks, and the paymaster general's office, will bring the number of semi-autonomous executive agencies to 105, which will account for 62 per cent of Britain's 594,000-strong army of civil servants. A "hit-list" of up to 50 more departments ripe for executive agency status has been drawn up, most of which are likely to be launched in their new capacity by the middle of 1995. This will bring the proportion of civil servants working in executive agencies to more than two-thirds.

Executive agencies are part of the Next Steps initiative launched by Baroness Thatcher in 1988 in an attempt to provide a more efficient and flexible

Publishing the third anmual report on executive agency performance, Wil-liam Waldegrave, the pub-lic service minister responsible for civil service reform, said that most agencies had managed to meet three out of four of their targets specifying financial, efficiency, quality and workload objectives.

However, some agen-cies, notably the recruitment and assessment services agency, which was set up to help recruit civil service staff, performed badly. Its poor perfor-mance is being put down to the recession and the fall-off in civil service recruitment, which has forced restructuring.







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Party gifts: guests arrive bearing presents for Rosemary Lamont's "at home" yesterday in aid of Tory party funds. In the Commons, the Labour MP Bryan Davies complained about the use of Number 11 Downing Street for fund-raising

### Tunnel chief attacks BR sell-off plans

By JONATHAN PRYNN

SIR Alastair Morton, the chief executive of Eurotunnel, has added his voice to the criticism of the government's rail privatisation plans at the Commons transport select committee.

Sir Alastair said he was concerned that freight would be driven off the railways because of the charging structure for rail infrastructure compared with the road

Secondly, "25 years of serious under-investment" with its associated burden of cost and inefficiency, had undermined the railways' ability to compete with other forms of transport. He also raised the prospect of legal action against BR from Eurotunnel if investment obligations were not fulfilled.

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### Treaty debate in the Commons a necessary irrelevance in Community's future

treaty has now become a attle of symbols much more than of substance. M Ps will spend thenext few months boring each other, and occasionally the public, on issues which will be determined not by the ratification of the treaty but by political events and maket

One shrewd Tory MP yestenay summed up the feelings of many members when he described he bill as a largely irrelevant necesity. No one now expects the timetble for a single currency to be met, een

### RIDDE! ON POLITICS

Deutschmark zone. Much of the rest of the bill is damage limitation. But the MP believed that the treaty kept open options by giving Britain a say in negotiations over the future of the EC. That is regarded as naive and complacent by the fervent opponents, who see a threat to

Stripped of the passion of the strongly committed, the treaty looks less significant than, say, the Single European Act. which extended majority voting. In some respects, such as monetary union, developments are moving more in a phuralist than a federalist direction. The Euro-sceptics may, and probably will, lose the battle over the treaty but they may be winning the campaign. Maastricht has become a symbol of British anitudes towards the EC.

For John Major, ratification is a necessary step, justifiable not solely on its own merits, but to establish the seriousness of Britain's credentials to be at the heart of Europe. The government has no choice but to press ahead with the bill if its

Britain's standing was damaged by Mr Major's concession that the third reading would not be held until May. This reinforced the view of other EC countries that Britain is still half-hearted about the EC.

The Mediterranean countries have insisted upon ratification, as well as agreement on future financing, as prerequisites for talks over enlargement. This is because the treaty provides for the creation of a new cohesion fund for low-income countries, notably Spain. This is partly perverse since the first new entrants will be wealthier net contributors to the budget like Sweden and Austria.

The squabbling over Maastricht
the attitude of Denmark and the
related topics of subsidiarity and openness - has overshadowed the British presidency. There will be much trumpeting in Edinburgh about the completion of the single market. However, the arguments over Maastricht have obviously held up decisions on enlargement.

fter Mr Major had completed A half his tour around the European capitals, Downing Street was last night deliberating playing down the chances of a full agree-ment in Edinburgh. Obvious differences remain over future financing and Denmark, though the new British presidency propos-als should help to resolve obstacles over common European citizen-

The other difficulties facing Europe - the exchange-rate mechanism, the Community-wide recession and the disintegration of Yugoslavia - would probably have happened regardless of the treaty.
The deteriorating situation in the

former Yugoslavia is forcing the EC to consider a tougher line, though

any additional military action is likely to be limited. Mr Hurd wants EC foreign ministers to reassess the position and adopt a common approach at Edinburgh, to be presented to the new American administration and the recalled international conference.

The debates over Maastricht have made little difference to these problems. They are, none the less, a distraction and, like the EC referendum in 1975, they limit Mr Major's political room for manocuvre until the bill is ratified.

PETER RIDDELL

# Ministers ready to let Euro-rebels have their say over Maastricht

F ROBERT MORGAN AND JONATHAN PRYNN

GOVERNMENT minsters yesterday made clear if private that they are prepart. for the time being, to let the urosceptics speak at lengthin the debates on the Maastrint bill which yesterday stand its second day's consideration. William Cash. Tory IP for Stafford and one of the leading opponents, spoke pr two and a half hours with the committee stage stated on Tuesday, and yesterdly continued with the same peech.

Ministers will have to give more serious thoughtto mak ing progress with the bill when MPs return to it after the Christmas break No days have been earmarked for it between now and then.

Sir Russell Johnston, the Liberal Democrat spokesman on Europe, yesterday set out the difficulties facing Michael Morris, the deputy Speaker, who is chairing most of the sittings, and ministers, in curtailing the length of speeches from MPs. He said that MPs could be halted if they strayed from the subject. They could be stopped if they were tedious or repetitious. But, he said: "It is perfectly possible to speak about the Community for days

without being repetitious." There were ways to deal with the difficulty, but they also posed problems, he said. There could be a timetable ment might not get a majority

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rise to problems because. so far, although the debate had gone on for some hours, very few people had spoken.

Mr Morris said that Mr Cash appeared to have covered all the points contained in the amendments before the House and "I imagine he will be winding up". He was not disppointed. and Mr Cash spoke for only about 20 minutes - the usual length of a backbencher's speech in a normal debate.

Some Euro-sceptics are criticising the bill and the government because there is no money resolution attached to it as it does not provide for the spending of money. Sir Teddy Taylor, a leading opponent and Tory MP for Southend East, again pressed for a money resolution to be tabled. But Mr Morris said this was a matter for the government.

The amendments being considered provide for parts of he Maastricht treaty to be vritten into the bill. Neither he government nor the offiial Opposition support them, lut they have the backing of te Liberal Democrats.

Mr Cash continued his parathon contribution by askig what powers would be needed by the union to carry ut the commitment in the reaty "to provide itself with he means necessary to attain motion, although the govern- is objectives and carry out its bolicies". Did this mean the for one. There could be a priion would require disciplinclosure motion, but this gave ary powers. Mr Cash asked. cratic nation state.

"Disciplinary action may not be just a question of fining," he said. "Who is to say it will not include in certain circumstances the use of force."

Terry Dicks, the Conservative member for Hayes and Harlington, provoked an indignant exchange when he questioned Mr Cash's Eurosceptic credentials on the grounds that he had previously voted in the Commons in favour of European bills and his ambition to be elected a member of the European Parliament. Mr Cash said he genuinely believed in the European Community and wanted to see it work properly, and he described as a slur the suggestion that Euro MPs could not also be against the Maastricht treaty.

Mr Cash concluded his contribution with a description of the treaty as representing "political and economic defeatism ... and the denial of parliamentary accountability".

Peter Shore, a former Labour cabinet minister and one of the most senior Eurosceptics on the Opposition benches, said it was important to focus on the "overall nature, character and purpose of the treaty" rather than get hogged down in technical detail. The paramount question for Britain was whether it was content to see its future as "a province of a united states of Europe" or as "an independent, demo-



Front-runners: William Cash, left, and Sir Teddy Taylor, lead off in the debate over the Maastricht treaty

## MPs investigate Navy's missing £1.2m

By Sheila Gunn, political correspondent

Sir John said that some

£129,000, had been spent in

support of celebrations of the

for staff social events; the

DEFENCE officials will be totalled £210,000 because of questioned further by MPs money spent on "novel and next week over how £1.2 contentious items". million earmarked for an efficiency incentive scheme went on a party for naval workers, membership of health dubs

and subsidies for social events. They have been called before the Commons public accounts committee after Sir John Bourn, the public spending auditor, discovered irregular payments in the 1990-1 defence appropriation accounts. At first he reported to MPs

budget for the scheme. More than £1 million of the spend-

In a new briefing paper to Royal Naval Supply and committee MPs for next Transport Service's 25th Wednesday's hearing. Sir John disclosed further irregu-"Other expenditure had larities. His auditors had rebeen incurred in support of vealed irregular payments totalling £1,218,000, or 13 "out of hours" recreational and social facilities, such as per cent of the £9.4 million dub membership of health and leisure centres; subsidies

ing was irregular because it provision of sports facilities had not been authorised by and equipment; and charitathe Treasury or fell outside the that the irregular payments department's powers.

spent on buying a coach and 56 minibuse

"None of this irregular expenditure had been referred for approval, as required by the departmental guidances This constitutes a serious breach of basic financial controls," the Comptroller and Auditor General wrote.

The Treasury has decided to write off the money as a loss. The defence ministry is to take no disciplinary action and will not try to recover any of the



### Security a headache

Britain's security services caused more trouble than they were worth in some areas, Lord Jenkins of Hillhead, the Liberal Democrat peer and and former Labour home secretary, said in the Lords. He said ministers found they had to deal more with "internecine quarrels" among members of the services than with any effective information they provided. His advice to any new minister was to never sign anything automatically and to be cautious about signing anything at all. Baroness Chalker of Wallasey, Foreign Office minister, said: "I am sure that for all Lord Jenkins's experiences there are others who have experiences contrary to his."

### Homes cost

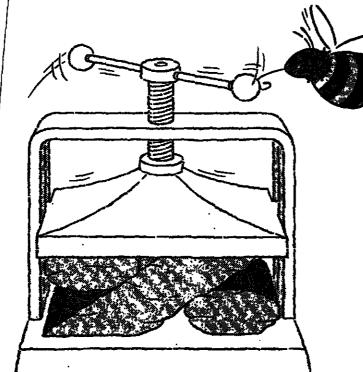
Mortgage interest tax re-lief will cost just over £5 bil-lion in this financial year. Stephen Dornell, Treasury financial secretary, said in a written reply.

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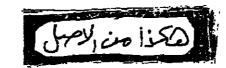
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# Kohl says EC unity is only way to combat extreme nationalism

Germany is taking in more refugees that the rest of Europe put together. Herr Kohl wants asylum laws to be unified across the EC

By Anatol Lieven in bonn and Our Foreign Staff

HELMUT Kohl, the German chancellor, yesterday gave a warning to other European Community countries that uncontrolled immigration could lead to a wave of racist violence across Europe, and said that they must develop a common policy on immigration.

Herr Kohl was addressing the Bundestag during the debate on ratification of the Maastricht treaty, which was passed by 543 votes to 17. The passionately pro-European speeches of the chancellor and other deputies made an explicit link between the threat of a return of extreme nationalism and the need to cement European unity. Many gave the impression of being moved much less by

economic considerations. Herr Kohl said that at the moment the flow of refugees and migrants from Eastern Europe is concentrated on Germany, but because of open borders this would soon be a problem for the whole of Europe. He made an indirect appeal to the opposition Social

to bring it into line with those

of the rest of Europe. Herr Kohl and other members of his government promised to do all in their power to stem racist violence within Germany. Klaus Kinkel, the foreign minister, said that "all democrats must stand together in order to end such thinking once and for all". For the Social Democrats, Heidemarie Wieczorek-Zeul said that against the background of growing nationalism. European integration "is also an anchor for the political stability of Germany".

Herr Kohl called for negotiations for an entry of European Free Trade Association countries into the EC to begin early next year and said Germany was determined that East European countries should be given hope of join-ing. He and other speakers implicitly criticised Britain and Denmark for their approach to Maastricht. Herr Kinkel said that any changes to Maastricht must not require a change in the treaty: "The message from Edinburgh

must be 'European unity goes

forward, and Britain and Denmark are part of the

process"." Oskar Lafontaine, the deputy chairman and former lead-er of the Social Democrats, yesterday described the plan for currency union by 1999 as unachievable mistake which would automatically lead to a two-speed Europe. He said that the lack of powers for the European parliament meant that the EC is not yet

Reflecting such concerns, the Bundestag also passed an amendment to the constitution giving both houses of the German parliament a right of supervision over European ☐ Suicide attempt: One of the

two right-wing activists who have confessed to the firebomb killings in Mölln attempted suicide early yesterday. German police said. Lars Christiansen, 19, slashed his wrists. Neighbours described the apprentice supermarket worker as a lonely and un-friendly youth who fell under the influence of the local neo-Nazi group a few months ago.

# V2 industrialist resigns over imperial flag

FROM REUTER IN BONN

THE man who launched the embarrassing fiftieth anni-versary celebration of Adolf Hitler's V2 "wonder weap-on" has quit Germany's biggest aerospace company amid controversy after flying the country's old imperial

war flag. Karl Dersch, international marketing director for Deutsche Aerospace (DASA), handed in his resignation after a meeting with DASA's chairman, Jürgen Schrempp on Tuesday. But the controversy over his habit of flying the imperial flag - now the favourite banner of neo-Nazis - continued yesterday amid fear that the incident would further damage Germany's crumbling reputation abroad. The liberal Frankfurter

Rundschau newspaper said that flying the flag with the Iron Cross and the eagle symbol of the old German Reich would only encourage the right-wing extremists who wanted to firebomb their way to a Fourth Reich. What must they think when they see 'their' imperial war flag flying in the garden of a big industrialist?" it asked.

The newspaper, which also ran outraged comments from opposition Social Democrats, said that Herr Dersch's election to the Federation of German Industry's board on Monday neutralised the anti-racism campaigns many firms have launched. DASA's owner, Daimler-Benz AG, was ex-



Out of step: Karl Dersch failed to notice how the flag was being misused by neo-Nazis

pected to accept his resignation, a spokesman said. Herr Schrempp said: "I respect the decision of my colleague, of whose fundamental democratic belief I am completely convinced." The news magazine Der Spiegel disclosed at the weekend that Herr Dersch had flown the former flag of the German Imperial Navy for years in the front garden of his home in a Munich suburb. Neo-Nazis regularly brandish the first world war flag at rallies where they chant "Foreigners Out!". Herr Dersch, 57, is presi-dent of the Federal Association of the Air and Space ndustry. Friends described him as an avid collector of Wolfgang Roth, the SPD obscure paraphernalia, po-leconomics spokesman, said litically conservative but not that Herr Dersch had daman extraories.

an extremist.
"Unfortunately I failed to
notice that the flag had been
misused for some time by radical right-wing groups. ors and members of the navy", saying he had re-ceived it 15 years ago as a gift, hung it on the mast and forgot about it. "I certainly must ask myself the ques-tion why I simply forget tion why I simply forgot about the flag despite political developments in

Germany," he added. This was not the first time that Herr Dersch had come under fire. As president of the board of German industry, he initiated the fiftieth anniversary celebration last October of the first launch of a prototype of Hitler's V2 rocket that battered Britain during the second world war. The event was to be held at the old Peenemunde launch pad on the second anniversary of German unification, but was cancelled after a storm of internation-

The opposition Social Democrats said that Herr Dersch should not be allowed to hold any representative posts in industry. "A man who uses the imper-

l war flag, the fighting ymbol of radical right-wing heo-Nazis and skinheads, strikes common cause with these groups," said Wolf-Michel Catenhusen.

Benz. "Such behaviour is unbearable and inexcusable. It must waken recollections of the support for Adolf Perhaps I could have noticed this," Herr Dersch said in a statement. He called the flag uncle endeared himself to uncle endeared himself to

this town by declaring himself a Berliner, Joseph Kennedy junior yesterday deliv-end a message for a far liferent era: "I am a beigner.

he Masschusetts Democraic representative re-tured to the scene of Preident Kennedy's greatest Cold war speech and critised Germany's reaction to rising neo-Nazi

H three-day visit was the first y a US congressman for the express purpose of denoncing the alarming trendalthough one expatri-ate Aperican reminded Mr Kennity about hate crimes in his lative Boston.

"The reason I am here is becaus I and millions of other mericans have been watchig on our television streen ... the ugly scope of harred hat has invaded our living soms," Mr Kennedy, be sor of the late senator, Robert Kennedy, told stulents a the John F. Kenne-ly High School (AP)

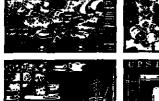
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# Paris seeks Bonn backing for direct Gatt talks with US

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN PARIS

FRANCE wants to negotite directly with Washington to defuse the dispute over fam products and President Nitterrand is expected to sek German support for the actin in talks today with Helmit Kohl, the chancellor, accoring to French officials.

Jean-Pierre Soisson, the a player in the French offensiv against the US-EC agreement on agriculture, sketched the plan yesterday as Pierre Bérégovoy, the prime minis ter, restated that France would do everything in its power to

block the "pseudo-accord". However, Jacques Attali, the head of the Bank for European Resconstruction and Development and a former senior adviser to M Mitterrand, became the most prominent public figure to question the wisdom of this hard line yesterday. France, he said, was being "drawn into a trap" over agriculture. It should put aside the farm dispute and work for an overall General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade deal as this could prove far more

beneficial.

The fate of France's resistance to the agriculture accord, and the impact of the quarrel on the shaky future of the Maastricht treaty on European union, will be shaped by how much Herr Kohl agrees to help his French ally in their talks today and tomorrow before next week's Edinburgh summit. M Mitterrand and Herr Kohl will also look for ways of using the EC meeting to try to pump some life back into the pursuit of integration after the monetary and political upheavals in the months

of the British presidency.

M Soisson said direct talks with the Americans could focus on oil-seed production, one of the two issues which triggered France's rejection of the Washington agreement. Germany stands to lose more than France in the undertaking to cut oil-seed production and would benefit from a re-

negotiation, he said. The attempt to rope in German support for re-opening the farm negotiation is viewed as unrealistic by many EC officials but M Soisson, speaking to American and British journalists, was adamant that many of France's partners had now come round to its views, at least in private. The Belgians he said, had told France to

"stay the course". Henning Christophersen, the EC's finance commissioner, meanwhile criticised "irrational" speculation against the Irish punt, French franc and Danish krone that is again wreaking havoc in the exchange-rate mechanism of the European Monetary System.

The Danish commissioner, in the limelight over the past weeks because of his calls for an EC growth initiative, re- 🕨 fused to endorse the view of Helmut Schlessinger, the Bundesbank president, that he demands the ERM makes pn central banks to intervene the defence of weaker urrencies are an incentive to peculators. "The fundamenconditions for stability and m within the system exist", said, adding that France, enmark and Ireland all have iance of payments surpluses d low inflation.

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Sesson: oil-seed talks sould be reopened



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# Khmer Rouge hold UN peacekeepers on spying charges

SIX United Nations peace keeping troops in Cambodia, including three Britons, have been kidnapped by the radical Khmer Rouge and accised of spying for the Phnom Penh government

Last night the Khmer Rouge was refusing to help defuse the situation and the UN was refusing to say whether any conditions had been set for the men's release. Reports said that a British

officer with the UN had identified the three Britons as Royal Navy Lieutenant Scott Verney, and Lieutenant Rich-ard Williams and Major Mark Walton, of the British

For the UN, the Khmer Rouge action is a nightmare come true. The radical Maoist group has always made clear it retained all its options and its contempt for UN plans and

world opinion.

The men are pawns at the

A LEADING pro-Peking fig-

ure in Hong Kong yesterday accused Chris Patten, the gov-

ernor, of duplicity, and said

what he was doing was ex-tremely harmful to the colony.

T. S. Lo, a wealthy lawyer

who has been mentioned as a

possible future chief executive

once the British territory re-

turns to Chinese rule in 1997.

said that Peking did not want

to deal with Mr Patten again.

what Patten is doing is ex-tremely harmful to Hong

Kong and there is no chance

of a smooth transition to

Chinese sovereignty if he per-

sists in his destructive ven-

Oxford-educated Mr Lo.

who publishes a pro-Peking

magazine, is a confidant of

previous governors and a for-

mer member of the Executive

Council, the governor's cabi-

net. He resigned his post in the mid-1980s over rulings

restricting Hong Kong citi-

He is one of 44 Hong Kong

figures who advise Peking on the territory's affairs. Mr Lo

met Li Peng, the Chinese

prime minister, in Peking last

week and said afterwards that

to damage the relationship

with China was to endanger Hong Kong's future. "No-one

here, or in Britain, wishes to

pay such a high price to build

up any governor's personal popularity abroad," he said in

apparent reference to claims

zens' access to Britain.

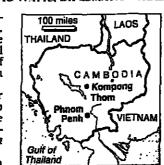
tures," he said.

"We must be very clear that

Patten accused of

endangering colony

FROM JAMES PRINGLE IN HONG KONG



between the Khmer Rouge and the UN, whose Cambodia operation is losing credibility rapidly. It was some time before a UN official in Phnom Penh admitted that the men had been taken hostage but refused to reveal whether the Khmer Rouge, who were responsible for the deaths of hundreds of thousands of Cambodians after they took power in 1975, had set any

that Mr Patten is taking a

tough line on democracy to

Mr Lo suggested that Mr

Patten withdraw his propos-

als. "What Mr Patten is sug-

gesting, in my view, has got

nothing to do with democra-

cy." He said the governor was

breaching deals and, because

of this. Peking did not want to

"What's the point?" he asked. "You deal with him

tomorrow, shake hands again

on another agreement which

the day after he says does not

again yesterday because of the

row. The stock market has lost

10 per cent in value in the past

week and analysts say the

downturn could be long-

The Hang Seng index fell

continue the dialogue.

enhance his career.

for their release had been unsuccessful, and that the Khmer Rouge headquarters in the capital was not cooperating. A Khmer Rouge official said that their colleagues in Kompong Thom were acting independently but refused to travel to the area with the UN to resolve the problem. A spokesman at the Khmer Rouge headquarters in Phnom Penh said nobody was there to comment on the matter because they "are all out relaxing around the city". With the Britons were two Filipinos and a New Zealander who had been dispatched to observe troop movements in Kompong Thom province, traditionally a Khmer Rouge stronghold, which is still "bandit country". Although their boat passed through a series of Khmer Rouge checkpoints

conditions for their release

He admitted that negotiations

Phnom Penh government. Hours after the kidnapping a UN helicopter, searching for the men. was fired upon. A French peacekeeper hit in the lower back and the aircraft's fuel tank damaged. The UN force suffered another blow when five men were wounded when their vehicles ran over newly aid anti-tank mines on a well-travelled road near Siem Reap in the northwest. It is feared that two of the men, an Indonesian and a Tunisian, will each lose a leg. The men are part of the 22,000-strong UN force of troops and officials who are in Cambodia in a \$2 billion (£1.3 billion) peace keeping operation designed to prepare the ground for the

without difficulty, they were stopped at the final one and

accused of spying for the

next year. One of the injured Turnsians was flown to Phnom Penh for medical treatment and one of the Indonesians was evacuated to Bangkok, according to the UN. The other three were being treated at the UN field hospital in Siem Reap, apparently with

country's first free elections

less serious injuries. On Monday, the UN Security Council imposed an oil embargo and tough economic sanctions against the guerrilla group's territory in the hopes of forcing the Khmer Rouge to co-operate.

Khmer Rouge guerrillas held a UN electoral team for several hours in central Cambodia in August and tension rose in Siem Reap province in early November when a UN helicopter was shot down. Late last month, three members of a LIN electoral team were shot at while travelling in a UN vehicle near Angkor Chum district. 12 miles northwest of



the left-wing Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front in El Salvador, is hugged by her daughter Sonja, 5, while awaiting demobilisation at a base near San Salva-

dor. The FMLN announced that it would proceed with demobilising its last 2,000 fighters by December 15 after the government agreed to purge the army of officers guilty of human rights violations. (AP)

### **Border raids force Lebanese** villagers to abandon homes

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN YATER, SOUTH LEBANON

Hezbollah. "Israel says it will not withdraw until we stop

the resistance: the resistance

THE residents of Yater, a cent to Israel's self-declared once prosperous farming community, long ago gave up counting how many times Hezboliah gunmen have used their village as a springboard to attack nearby Israeli troops and how often they have been on the receiving end of Israel's retaliatory raids.

Three-quarters of the village's 6,000 Shia Muslim inhabitants have abandoned their homes for the relative safety of the nearby city of Tyre. The empty streets and neglected tobacco fields and olive groves show why. Almost every house, school and mosque bears shrapnel marks and militia posters depicting heroic episodes from Hezb-ollah's bloody history are a tell-tale sign that the Islamic militants are eager to make this their stronghold.

The depressing picture is true in a string of towns adja-

until Israel withdraws from security zone in southern the security zone." Lebanon, which have become the front line of a guerrilla war in the past two years. "It is a vicious circle," said Sayyid

United Nations observation posts and checkpoints are supposed to offer local people a semblance of security by keeping the two sides Ali al-Amin, Tyre's Shia cleric and a former member of apart. However, the peacekeepers say that last month saw the most intensive fighting, with more than 30 operasays it will not stop its attacks tions by Hezbollah guerril

### Somalis fight for land before US troops arrive

FROM SAM KILEY IN MOGADISHU

HOPES in Somalia for a speedy landing of about 30,000 American troops to sort out the warlords appear to be premature. Although the United Nations Security Council could vote today to send an American-led multinational force to protect aid operations, it may take a month for the troops to be in

However, several American warships and marine units, carrying 1,800 men, were reported to be in the Indian Ocean and they will be within striking distance of the Somali coast tomorrow.

"We want them to come now, not tomorrow, now. We are all fed up with the war and these stupid boys with guns who have made our lives a misery for two years," said Abdulahi Muhammad, 36, yesterday.

Some aid agencies esti-

mate that between 300,000 and 400,000 Somalis have starved to death in the past 12 months as a result of clan wars and anarchy. Mogadishu, the capital, is now flooded with food and merchants who have looted much of the incoming aid, are now selling rice at 5p a pound. The looting, fight-ing, and heavy rains have reduced supplies to cines like Baidere in the far west of the country, where more than 100 people are dying a day. A mortality rate of 40 people a day was reported in the city of Baidoa, down from its peak of 350 in September.

General Muhammad Far-rah Aidid, leader of the Habre Gedir faction of the United Somali Congress and a notorious warlord, was yesterday massing his forces near Baidoa for what app-ears to be a final drive to secure land before the Americans arrive. He is expected to attack Baidera, which he recently lost to General Muhammad Hersi Morgan, the son-in-law of Muhammad Siad Barre, the former president, who comes from the Marchan clan and leads the . Somali National Front problem (Reuter) Heavy fighting was also

reported between General

Aidid's forces and Isak clansmen in Galkayo, 350 miles northwest of Mogadishu. With all the civilian enthu-

siasm for an American invasion of the former British and Italian territory, many experienced aid officials said that the armed criminals. who come mostly from nomadic clans, are likely to attack the US troops. "It is essential that the US

come in and give them a short, sharp, shock. Any vacillation and time-wasting over negotiations will give the Somalis the opening to tie the Americans in knots. This horror story has gone on too long and the time has come to break the cycle of crime and take away the guns at the point of a gun," said a British aid worker with many years experience in Somalia

His view was supported by William Huber, director of SOS Kinderdorf, who has worked in Somalia for the past eight years, and by Stephen Tomlin, field direc



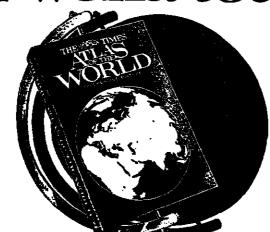
tor of the International Med ical Corps. ☐ Khartoum: Ali Sahloul. the Sudanese foreign minister, has expressed astonishment at the United Nation's proposal to send more than 20,000 troops to protect aid distribution in Somalia, which he said would increase the region's refugee

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Li Peng: met advisers

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### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

### **Judge urges** enquiry into **PAC** wing

Johannesburg: The Gold-stone commission into the causes of violence in South Africa called on the United Nations and the international community yesterday to help it to conduct an enquiry into the Azanian People's Liberation Army, the armed wing of the Pan Africanist Congress (Ray Kennedy writes).
The request follows reports

that the organisation claimed responsibility for an attack on a golf club at King William's Town in which four whites were killed. However, PAC officials dispute the claim. Officials of the African Nat-

ional Congress and ministers met yesterday to clear obsta-cles to the resumption of constitutional talks.

### Planes collide

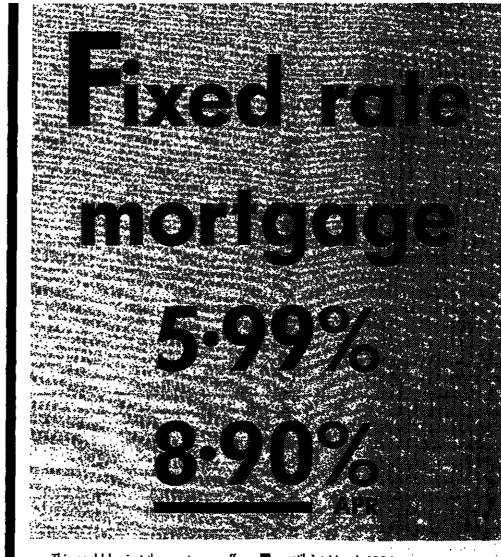
Pisco, Peru: Eight people were killed and 250 injured when an air force bomber exploded in the street after collid ing in mid-air with another bomber. Forty people are in a critical condition. (AFP)

### Dam started

Wuhan, China: After more than 40 years of controversy, work has finally begun on China's Three Gorges dam across the Yangize river, the project first proposed by Sun Yat-Sen in the 1920s. (Reuter)

### Murder feared

Colombo: The widow of Denzil Kobbekaduwa, a Sri Lankan general, has called for an international enquiry into the "murder" of her husband and others, killed by a mine allegedly laid by Tamil guerrillas.



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### Russian deputies rally conservative opposition to the future of Yeltsin's economic reforms

# Hardliners barrack Gaidar's attempt to justify his policies

FROM ANNE MCELVOY IN MOSCOW

In a reformist counter-at-tack, Father Gleb Yakunin, a

prominent Yeltsin supporter,

threatened a walk-out by the

government's supporters if the

resolution subjecting the gov-

ernment to heavy parliamen-

tary control was passed. This

Mr Gaidar admitted that

Russia was in economic crisis

and that the government had failed to understand the sever-

ity of the payments crisis or to

tackle inflation early enough.

But he countered Mr

Khasbulatov's claim that the

government's economic fail-

ure had been "a complete disaster" by saying that his

government had preserved so-

cial stability and warded off

the threat of hunger in the

transition from communism

His speech was less concilia-

tory towards the main opposi-

tion, Civic Union, which

represents the interests of the

military-industrial lobby, caus-

ing some government oppo-

nents to point to a split

between Mr Yeltsin and Mr

Gaidar over the influence of

enterprise managers in the

economy. This, however, may

to capitalism.

would paralyse Congress.

YEGOR Gaidar, Russia's acting prime minister, fought yesterday for his own political future and that of the govern-ment's beleaguered reform programme, telling the Congress of People's Deputies that any change to the current radical course would pitch Russia into "the swamp of calmly discuss the best path to take to a happy future. Our room for manoeuvre is strictly underdevelopment". But Aleksandr Rutskoi, the

conservative vice-president, mounted a strong challenge to the reform government, calling for an alternative programme restoring greater state control to the economy. Mr Rutskoi, criticising Mr Gaidar for accepting the International Monetary Fund's shock-therapy, said he wanted a broad coalition government to lead the country out of crisis. He said that it was time for the government to face the need replaced this week. for compromise with the con-In response to criticism by Ruslan Khasbulatov, the

servatives. "It is time to abandon the slogan, 'Either us or back to communism," he said. "We cannot abandon regulation and management. Let us do the main thing and arrive at national conciliation on the question of reform tactics." Mr Rutskoi's attack on the

principles of reform drives Congress closer to deadlock with the government. Conservative deputies are vowing to push through the "law on government" that would subject the cabinet to parliamentary control against the will of President Yeltsin.

The president, in his opening speech to Congress on Tuesday, made postponement of the law one of the key elements in the compromise package under which he offered to give up his special powers in return for a clearer allocation of powers between go vernment and parliament. Addressing the second day

of Congress, an emotional Mr Gaidar attacked hardliners pressing to restore state control of the economy, saying that they risked dragging Russia into hyper-inflation and conditions "reminiscent of the Third World or Latin America". He said: "We are not in a wide-open space where we can

Deputies jeered as Mr Gaidar defended his government's record, at times causing the young reformer to falter and perspire in evident distress as he strove to overcome the hoots of disapproval. The architect of an IMFbacked reform strategy, he is the prime target of conservatives. They want to see him

hardline parliamentary chairman who had called for the path of radical reform to be replaced by a social-democratic model allowing the state greater powers of intervention. Mr Gaidar said that it would be years before Russia had the luxury of choice between competing Western models. "At this moment, the choice is more crucial. It is between nursuing reforms or giving in to criminal delays which are

pulling our country down." With Congress finely bal-anced, the opposition has calculated that it can afford to push the government towards broader concessions than those Mr Yeltsin offered on the first day. Hardline factions now seem keen to press for retention of the conservative parliament's influence over the executive as a guid pro quo for confirming Mr Gaidar in office. The Yeltsin camp is unlikely to accept these terms.



Feeling the strain: Yegor Gaidar wipes his brow after being subjected to hoots of disapproval during his address to the Russian Congress

well be a dual tactic adopted by them to pull moderate conservatives onto their side while keeping the commit-ment to free-market economics alive .

In one significant nod to the industrial lobby Mr Gaidar promised that there would be no withdrawal from the inter-

able source of both employment and revenue. But he assuaged Western fears that Russia would seek to balance its books by feeding the world's conflicts with weapons, saying that the country would seek only "reliable

Mr Gaidar's fate will be decided later this week when

deputies vote on whether he should be confirmed as prime minister. Mr Yeltsin is anxious to keep him, but the hostility that greeted the speech must have caused the government camp to start considering alternatives if Congress voted him down. Civic Union has little reason to back the government over

the choice of prime minister since it hopes to replace him with a candidate of its choosing: possibly Mr Rutskoi, the entrenched conservative vicepresident. Mr Gaidar could then remain as head of economic policy, but a battle for power and direction would be inevitable. Mr Yeitsin also has the bolder option of proposing himself as prime minister, a post he held before Mr Gaidar's appointment as acting premier and which would give the opposition the sacrifice it demands without lumbering him with hardine influence too close to the heart of government.

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### Man who broke the pound gives millions in aid

By Michael Binyon, diplomatic editor

George Soros, the man who broke the pound on Black Wednesday, is to give up to \$250 million (£165 million) from his speculation profits to set up a foundation to save Russian science and to help the victims of the war in former Yugoslavia.

The money will be used to employ thousands of scientists who have been thrown out of work by the economic turmoil in Russia. Mr Soros also plans to send huge sums to set up safe havens in Bosnia and to assist Macedonia, a country where he says there is an urgent need for external aid. The sums he is proposing far exceed the emergency aid budgets of most Western countries.

Mr Soros, a New York financier of Hungarian origin, made around a billion dollars in speculating against the pound on the day that sterling was forced out of the European exchange-rate mechanism. In The Man who Broke the Pound, a Thames Television documentary on his coup, to be shown tonight, it is estimated that he will be redistributing to Eastern Europe the equivalent of £12 for every man, woman and child in Brit-ain. Likened to a modern Robin Hood, his philanthropy is on a scale unmatched by anyone in modern times.

Mr Soros told The Times vesterday that he saw an urgent humanitarian need in Bosnia and had conceived the idea of safe havens for war victims after talking to Tadeusz Mazo-wiecki, the United Nations special envoy looking into war atrocities in Bosnia. "It is a tricky problem. I do not want to become an accomplice in ethnic cleansing." he said. But the concept of safe havens "would prevent what is a horrendous hu-

man tragedy". He will meet Sadako Ogata, the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, today to discuss how his money should be spent. A "significant sum" — \$50 million - will be channelled through humanitar-



Soros: played the game by the rules

ian organisations already operating in Bosnia. His foundation has already run a summer camp for 200 orphans, which he said was "a wonderful thing".

Mr Soros also criticised the international isolation of Macedonia, and is running a separate fund to help the country, although he denounced its current leadership. He has just visited Macedonia, Albania and Slovenia as part of a tour to Eastern Europe, to which he has given over \$91

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million in the past decade. He told Thames Television that he had played the game by the rules in his speculation against the pound. "I have absolutely no sense of having done anything immoral."

H is fund for Russian science will be set up in co-operation with the former Soviet Academy of Sciences. The details were now being worked out and will be announced next week. He said yesterday that a pilot project in Novosibirsk, costing around \$3 million. had proved a great success. There was much of "great human value" in Russian science, and he wanted to save it from disintegrating under economic pressures. Mr Soros admitted that

he was worried by the possible emigration nuclear scientists to help unscrupulous governments abroad. This was partly why he wanted to help keep them in Russia.



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# West's militant mood clouds purpose of Bosnian role

are beginning to beat again; the talk in America and, more tentatively, in Europe is of a "Balkan Storm" operation to settle the dispute in former

The mood has swung for and against military intervention in Bosnia-Herzegovina throughout the summer and the autumn. Will a military operation result in a Balkan bloodbath? Or will the bloodbath happen if the West does not go in? The present militancy is rooted in a combination of factors. America has signalled — by allotting soldiers for United Nations operations in Somalia — that it is not retreating into a shell during the presidential transition. The Somalia mission, admittedly far simpler than the requirements of Bosnia, seems to have the incoming Clinton administration's support.

The conventional wisdom is that Serbia will soon turn its guns on the autonomous province of Kosovo and that the Balkan war will spread be-yond the borders of former Yugoslavia. Military intervention - in effect a limited. undeclared war against Serbia could thus head off a devastating war in southern Europe, a repeat of the Balkan conflict 80 years ago.

The Albanians may come to the help of their cousins in Kosovo or Macedonia; Turkey would also find it difficult to stand on the sidelines if there were a massacre of ethnic Albanians. That would alarm Greece, already concerned about Macedonia's stability. Bulgaria. Serbia and Greece could all make territo-

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considered to contain the Bosnia conflict. but the sabrerattling smacks of diplomatic bluff, Roger Boyes writes rial claims on Macedonia.

The proponents of intervention argue, however, that action could prevent such a disaster. Moreover, moves by Islamic states this week indicate that there would be a broad international consensus for a preventive war and that the oil states would be prepared to finance it.

Much of this tough talk is probably diplomatic bluff. The American administration wants to demonstrate - and not just to the Serbs - that it is still on the ball. But it is a long way from committing ground troops. Washington appears to be willing to enforce an air exclusion zone over Bosnia. but while that has military implications it does not amount to it is not a strategy.

The sabre-rattling is at least partly designed to influence the outcome of the Serbian presidential elections on December 20. Milan Panic, the "Yugoslav" prime minister, is running against Slobodan Milosevic, the incumbent. Intervention before polling would certainly carry the election for Mr Milosevic. But the threat of intervention could help Mr Panic, who is perceived by moderate Serbs as a man who can talk convincingly to the West. The most fundamental

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questions about intervention have still not been deared up. nor have they been properly aired. Hence the differences between the Foreign Office, which is beginning to talk in quite stern tones, and the Ministry of Defence, which is reluctant to contemplate war at least until the American position is more clear.

Military intervention is being

The big unknown is the strength and determination of Serbia. This alone would dictate the size and duration of a intervention. Yet intelligence assess-Western

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ments are remarkably thin on the subject.

Those opposed to intervention argue that more than 100.000 Austro-Hungarian soldiers earlier this century, and dozens of German divisions in the second world war, were pinned down by "brigands" and partisans in the Balkans. The Serbs have a reputation for being ferocious fighters and they have access to the huge stocks of the Yugoslav national army.

Senior Serb commanders have received Soviet-style training and maintain a so-

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network. Any Western military operation — to see them establishing a community in ajina, to Serb minority in drive them a ptured Bosnian terrain, or to prevent them f ... ethnic Albanians ... osovo — would require a large land army as well as air support.

The "regular" units of Bosnian Serbs are estimated at 90,000 men, supplemented by 20,000 irregulars and some additional thousands of weekend warriors" who cross into Bosnia for a few days plundering. German military intelligence believes that the Serbs have a few hundred tanks, 200 pieces of long-range artillery, 170,000 tonnes of stored munitions and countless mortars.

Yet the Serbs are not as powerful as these figures suggest. Their logistics are poor and they have difficulty con-centrating their forces. There have been no really decisive

Serb tactics have been, rather, those of the Thirty Years war: they besiege cities, bornbarding civilians and defenders for months on end. Such warfare suits badly-trained men who need only fire at a sitting target.

The relative weakness of the Serbs became plain in the summer. Sarajevo was bombarded most often at night because the heat of cannon fire quickly dehydrates soldiers. The Serbian command could not supply enough water to satisfy the soldiers during daytime firing, so they slept away most of the morning.

With the onset of winter, other Serbian weaknesses have become obvious. Although they have winter dothing, their barracks are short of fuel. Many soldiers drink heavily. Even against a much smaller army of 30,000 Croats, and a ramshackle illequipped Bosnian Muslim force of 70,000 policemen and volunteers, the Serbs have not been able to secure the corridor to Krajina.

There are now almost



Dividing line: risks would be high if UN emphasis moved from convoy protection to attacking Serb positions

16,000 UN troops, 2,400 of them British, in Bosnia. Their equipment is far superior to anything possessed by the Serbs. If the nature of their mission were redefined, from defending humanitarian aid deliveries to attacking Serb positions, the tide of war could quickly change.

But the risks would be high - of Western casualties, of atrocities and revenge killings on civilians — and there is little doubt that such a Western operation against Serbia would seriously strain relations between America and Russia, which is emotionally connected to Serbia, at the start of the Clinton presidency.

The West's political goal in Yugoslavia has still not been spelt out. Is it to restore the territorial integrity of Bosnia at any cost? If so, is the UN prepared to establish a protectorate, perhaps for many years, while political solutions are worked out? Or is the intention to give up on Bosnia and ensure that war does not

swallow up Kosovo and Macedonia? Discussion of these priorities is being drowned out by the sound of tom-toms in the salons of the West.

☐ Belgrade: More than 41 per cent of Serbs expect foreign military intervention in the former Yugoslavia within the next two years, according to a recent opinion poll (Tim Judah and Dessa Trevisan writei.

Yugoslav military leaders are cautioning the West against intervention. "In the event of an aggression, instead of Desert Storm they might be faced with a new Vietnam or stili worse a Baikan Storm." General Bozidar Stevanovic, head of the Yugoslav Air

Force, said last week. Apart from fuel, Bosnian Serbs are largely self-reliant. One military expert estimates that the Serbs around Sarajevo have enough shells to continue the bombardment of the city for the next five years.

# Hurd studies ways to deploy fighting forces effectively

By Michael Evans, defence correspondent

American troops to force food personal ambitions. Each ing Somalians has generated an unprecedented feeling of frustration and anguish in London over the failure of European policies in Bosnia-

Herzegovina. Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, is looking once again at the options for military intervention in Bosnia. However hard he looks, he will not find any easy way of committing troops in an offensive role with any guarantee of

long-term success. The options - air strikes. limited ground action to seize key points such as airfields or a full-scale campaign — have not changed since the civil war began on April 6. They will be more difficult to implement. because the Serbs are emboldened by the West's inaction

and will not readily back off. The deployment of huge numbers of troops to push the Serbs back and stop the fighting has always been rejected in Whitehall. The logic behind that judgment remains the same, but there is clearly growing frustration about the way the Serbs are openly Daunting United Nations Security Council resolutions, such as the ban on military flying.

There is no question that if the West, either as a one-off coalition force or as a Nato unit, mounted a saturation offensive against the Serbs, the advanced weaponry, logistics, tactics, superior training and intelligence capability would ensure short-term victory, but at what cost?

The Serbs in Bosnia are nor a professional army with effective command and control They are largely an amalgam of individual militia ruled by warlords whose lovalty is to

THE sudden offer of 30,000 themselves and to their own threatening all passing vehisupplies through to the starv- wants to be president of his So, too, could the permanent slab of territory.

General Ratko Mladic is their overall commander, but whenever he signs a ceasefire agreement with his Croatian and Muslim counterparts, the Serbian warlords demonstrate their independence by increasing the level of violence. After spending three weeks

in central and northern Bosnia, I am tempted to say that air strikes and limited action might have an affect on some of the Serbian positions. For example, Serbian guns in the mountains of Vlasic and Komar, overlooking the Travnik area, could be targeted, either by air strikes or by mortar fire.

The Serbian direct-fire antiaircraft weapon that sits in the wooded hills on the eastern side of the main road to Tuzla,

cies, could also be destroyed. Serbian trenches which lie south of Sarajevo with T55 tanks, armoured personnel carriers and artillery.

However, Bosnia is not Somalia. The geography, ideal for guerrilla warfare, would tend to favour the Serbs. But even if a short, sharp attack by an overwhelmingly superior force, backed by air power, delivered a stunning military blow to the Serbs, victory would not resolve the political mess created by ethnic hatred and historical divisions.

Withdrawal from Bosnia under the threat of Serbian gunfire would be disastrous for the morale of the British Army. It would be better to take up one of the military options and attempt to give the Serbs a lesson in profes-

### Kosovo dogs Bush team's final days

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

with just seven weeks left in office, is not only planning military intervention in Somalia but also intensifying its efforts to contain the conflict in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

Washington is growing increasingly worried that the conflict will spread to Kosovo and Macedonia, which both have big Muslim populations, threatening to drag Albania, Bulgaria, Greece and Turkey into war. American intelligence has recently reported significantly increased Serbian military activity in Kosovo. where 90 per cent of the

people are ethnic Albanians. Late last month President Bush sent letters to John Major and President Mitterrand seeking support for the dispatch of an international force of monitors to Kosovo and for an international demand that Serbia restore Kosovo's autonomy. Mr Bush said he was "deeply troubled" by the continuing conflict and said a war in Kosovo "could cost thou-

sands of lives". Within the next two weeks Lawrence Eagleburger, the acting US Secretary of State, is expected to hold a meeting in Europe with Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary. They are likely to discuss a much greater preventative deployment of United Nations monitors in Kosovo and Macedonia, stronger warnings to Serbia to respect Kosoyo's autonomy and a warning to Kosovo not to inflame feelings by

The Bush administration is also becoming increasing ly determined to end Serbi-

independence.

THE Bush administration, an violations of the UN nofly zone over Bosnia by military aircraft. Washington may press for a second UN resolution authorising enforcement of the no-fly resolution by military

means if necess Whether Bill Clinton, the president-elect, will change American policy after he takes office on January 20 remains to be seen. He has said nothing about Bosnia since his election, but during the campaign he said the United States could do much more to aid the Bosnians short of committing ground troops. There is no support among Americans for sending in troops, and Richard Chency, the defence secretary, and General Colin Powell, the chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, remain adamantly opposed to such

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а тооче. Mr Clinton specifically suggested the administration should consider military intervention, including UN-authorised air strikes, to open Sarajevo airport and ensure the delivery of hu-manitarian aid, the use of military force to open Serbian detention camps and lifting the UN arms embargo on Bosnia so it could better resist Serbian

aggression. Lifting the arms embargo has the support of senators as diverse as Joe Biden, Democratic chairman of the Senate European affairs committee, and Robert Dole, the Senate's Republican minority leader. Paul Wolfowitz, a defence undersecretary, has also argued for lifting the embargo, but the administration rejected the idea as likely to prolong the fighting.

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# Border disputes and old alliances point to war

FROM DESSA TREVISAN AND TIM JUDAH IN BELGRADE

WITH no end in sight to the conflict in Bosnia the threat of a full-scale Balkan war breaking out is fast becoming a

real possibility.

The key flashpoints are Serbia's southern province of Kosovo, Macedonia and to a lesser extent Sandzak and Vojvodina. United Nations officials also fear that conflict may resume in the "protected" zones of Serb-held

After early successes the UN zones have degenerated into areas where, by its own admission, "anarchy and lawlessness prevails". The Croatian government is promising its people that the UN force will leave after its first year's term. The lear is that if they fail to evict the force diplomatically, terrorism may be used to encourage its departure. Far better armed and organised than a year ago, the Croatian government apparently believes that it can now destroy the Serb enclaves with its own military might. In response, the local Serb police force has grown tenfold since the UN took over. The fear of a new Serb-Croat war is now top of the UN agenda.

There seems little doubt that war will spread through Kosovo. Regarded by all Serbs as the cradle of their civilisation, the population of the republic's southern province is now more than 90 per cent ethnic Albanian. Today ethnic Albanians, led by Ibrahim Rugova, demand independence for Kosovo. Albanian leaders freely admit that independence would only be a stepping stone to union with

The southernmost republic of Macedonia is now becoming the focus of international alarm, with many now believing that war will start here and then spread to Kosovo. Greece objects to its recognition under the name Macedonia, arguing that the name implies territorial designs on Aegean Macedonia, taken by the Greeks

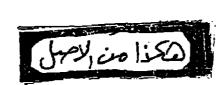
during the Balkan war of 1912. All observers agree that any conflict in Macedonia will drag in Bulgaria and Serbia and possibly Turkey and Greece. In Sofia there is little stomach for war but Bulgarians claim that Macedonians are in fact Bulgarians and so, if conflict begins, it will be

difficult for them to stay out.

Three further possible flashpoints are Sandzak, Vojvodina and Montenegro. The former has a large Muslim population and is an historic province

which straddles the Serbian-Montenegrin border. However, an uprising in Sandzak is unlikely because it would certainly be crushed within days.

Vojvodina, Serbia's northern prov-ince has a high proportion of Hungar-ians but the area is overwhelmingly Serb. Many Vojvodina Serbs are opposed to the government of Slobodan Milosevic, the Serbian president, and, like local Hungarians. would like to see a restoration of the area's autonomy which he abolished.
The final possible flashpoint is
Montenegro, the only remaining Yugoslav republic apart from Serbia itself. independent until 1918 forces in favour of renewed independence are growing. However, any serious attempt to sever the link with Belgrade would certainly provoke a violent backlash from the Yugoslav army.



# Is there a path through the fog of lies?



Michael Shea (left) concludes his series with a warning of the dangers to society of continued press intrusion

ome years ago, in a speech to the Guild of British Newspaper Editors. I argued that if there was one thing that united everyone across the whole spectrum of political life, it was a shared contempt for the worst excesses of the British tabloid press. I went on, somewhat prematurely as it turned out, to warn that unless the press moved to put their own house in order, there were many, in every political party, who would be only too happy to do it for them. Nothing much happened, there extremes. The Press Council and its successor the Press Complaints Commission, chained by their constitutions, remain emasculated, wringing their hands in the wings.
We are again waiting for Sir David
Calcutt, who will report next

The bias of truth and the straight untruths, both public and personal, that scream from the topless pages of the tabloids,

must undermine When are important basic values in our people going society. Of course, many readers daim to stand up that they don't believe a word of what they read in and say: the popular press. On the other hand, 'Enough'? my own experience is that most of

them, including many who should know better, do falls, but of the press office being believe some of it. They follow the strange notion that "there's no smoke without fire", rather than that the smoke is often a billowing fog of innuendo and humbug. My other belief is that a lot of people who should be doing something about this treat the tabloids as a joke, and in any event see them but seldom. The problem is that for millions it is the only reading material that enters their houses. If they are also the tribunes of the

people. God help the people. To continue my metaphor, the fire has recently been fuelled by the reality, as broken marriages and unfortunate behaviour have hit certain members of the royal family. But where will the detailed reporting of all this private tragedy lead? Do the media as a whole, do the tabloids, have an agenda for our future, for the road on which they are taking us? Does the moralising to which we have been subjected lead us to any definite

The timing of the prime minister's statement last week concerning the Queen paying tax and reimbursing the Treasury for much of the costs of certain members of the royal family, which we all must accept marks a turning point in the 20th-century history of the royal family, has been criticised by those

whose daily task is to find some-thing to belittle or destroy. The fact of the matter is, and this is an outside view since I obviously have no knowledge of the discussions that have taken place between the Palace and Number 10 Downing Street, that no timing could be right. Earlier: too early. Later: too late. I have no doubt that most journalists and photographers who regularly cover royal events would agree that the Palace press office, in making media arrangements for more than a thousand individual royal engage-ments every year, operates with great efficiency and 99 per cent

there will always be wrong. My experience always was that this tended to be the result, not of press office inefficiency because the staff there are highly experienced. looking out for pit-

overruled by other quarters both within and without the Palace, who wished things to be done with traditional protocol.

The prime minister's announcement was welcomed by, among others, Tony Benn (the former Viscount Stansgate) as being a move towards republicanism. That was a timely reminder by that supreme keeper of the madhouse of politics of what might just be — a nightmare scenario of a President Thatcher. or President Kinnock, or Hattersley or Howe or President Gerald Kaufman. Let us leave that also nominally the Queen's palace prospect to that tiny fringe, those latter-day Willie Hamiltons, who might espouse it until they worked out the huge costs and conse-quences and divisions that the election of such a person would

bring.
What is of more immediate importance, however, is the future relationship, not between the Queen and people, because I believe that is fundamentally



Monarchy at bay: the Queen looks pensive during Derby week (with Michael Shea, right) but where will the detailed reporting of her family's private tragedies lead?

and the press that seeks to interpret and inform. We can be reasonably confident that the electronic media and the broadsheets will see where sense lies and where a further harassment or undermining of the Sovereign's role might devastate much of what matters in this country. There is now a growing realisation that the re-building of Windsor Castle is, indeed, largely a matter for the nation. The Queen only uses as the state uses the rooms that were destroyed. She uses them as she uses Holyrood — which is - but which is being used, for example, as a venue of the European summit in Edinburgh next week. In similar vein, we would not insist that John Major rebuild

Number 10 if it, too, were gutted by

No, the crucial factor is going to be, particularly now that the majority of the costs of the younger members of the royal family will be reimbursed to the Treasury, wheth-

sound, but between both of them er these and the rest of the family will be left to sort out their problems with discretion and in peace. Additionally, will the mass circulation tabloids report with decency and accuracy the Queen's public activities and duties without always going for the unpleasant, the devious and the bad? I am not optimistic, given how the Chancel-lor of the Exchequer, for example, has been harassed on private matters over the past week.

Those in the service of the royal family, or in some way involved with them, know what it is like to be hounded by the media. Members of the family have a security system to protect them, but the experiences of Linda Townley, the former maid to the Princess Royal, who told a special parliamentary committee yesterday how reporters laid siege to her brother's home for four days after the disappearance of some of the princess's private correspondence, and my own harassment at my private home or when I was taking my children to school

when I was the centre of a story, are minor examples of what is an abhorrent daily occurence for ordinary people who attract media

Both the level of intrusion and the means sometimes employed bugging, telephoto lenses on private property, and even suborning (in other words, plain bribing) of individuals to provide stories (there are many examples is surely deeply obnoxious if it is not yet illegal.

act and fiction, as I said earlier, run into each other, camouilaged by exaggeration and distortion. Repetition of inaccurate stories gradually makes them difficult if not impossible to dislodge. When are people right across the political and social spectrum (and not just in the cause of the monarchy, since no one, least of all the Palace, I imagine, wants a special rule for them) going to stand up and say: "enough!"? Privacy is the first victim of the ongoing media wars.

vate property without consent, placing bugs or other devices in private property, or as Calcutt has already stated, taking photographs or re-cording voices of individuals on private property without their knowledge or consent. The Sun newspaper and others will probably object. They, after all, used to call me the "anti-press secretary" for daring to suggest that, when I argued for self-restraint, I was in effect arguing for consorship. While effect arguing for censorship. While to my mind being attacked by The Sun was always a distinct feather in my cap. I have to say that I spent several years behind the Iron Curtain, particularly in Ceaucescu's Romania with its absurd puppetlike press, and I am, in consequence, second to none in standing in defence of press freedom. In last week's Spectator, Anthony Holden argued that the Palace should, if it

is not seeking to get any special

treatment following Calcutt, take

legal action against any further

media representatives entering pri-

press lies. He noted that "The There must surely be an end to newspapers' motive for publishing royal dirt is money. Only the threat of substantial losses in court will deter them." I agree. That must be part of the way forward if more reasonable actions fail.

Perhaps after the new Calcutt report, the broadsheet newspapers, led by *The Times*, which will have to defy or condemn the behaviour of its sister papers, might make a first real start to the campaign. It won't work if the approach is through the battered, supine route of so-called self-regulation. It might just work, however, if the serious papers gave both the lead and the confidence to the politicians so that they could legislate as they must, without being slaughtered by the tabloids on their way to vote. As The Los Angeles Times wrote last week on another matter: "Be on your guard when the media cite the 'people's right to know as justifica-tion for violating the people's right to privacy." A good motto for us all.



Lord Rothschild: "lessons of the Holocaust have faded"

# Good fighter for a free and safe Europe

he perfect figurehead has been found to lead the fight against resurgent neo-fascism and anti-Semitism in Europe. To the surprise and undisguised delight of the Jewish community, Lord Rothschild, 56, has agreed to become president of the Institute of Jewish Affairs, the leading Jewish research

body outside Israel.
His decision is perceived as a significant departure. He has been a helper at Anglo-Jewish community functions and events for as long as he can remember, but this is the first time he has agreed to head a Jewish organisation such as the institute.

It is no accident that he has chosen a body which successfully bridges the secular and religious worlds. Lord Rothschild, who is head of the English branch of the Rothschild family, says: "I would not like to disguise that I am first and foremost a secular Jew. I think perhaps I am taking being a Jew in every sense more seriously, but I can do that mainly in a secular way. I do not want to pretend that it is anything else."

The institute, 50 years old last year, is the oldest study centre of its kind and its reports carry considerable in-fluence. Its brief is to research political and social issues linked to the Jewish diaspora. Recently these have focused on the rise in anti-Semitism and neo-fascism across Europe. As a boy, Lord Rothschild

suffered the usual anti-Semitic taunts that any Jewish child can expect, and still encounLord Rothschild has a new role in the battle against anti-Semitism

ters prejudice today. It never fails to shock. "I run into my fair share of anti-Semitism, he says. "It seldom happens face to face. But quite often, say in restaurants and clubs, I listen to conversations going on which are anti-Semitic at the next door table. When I

amazed and appalled." What he describes as the "frightening" rise in Euro-pean anti-Semitism is reflected in recent research by the institute and the Board of Deputies of British Jews. "I felt we had learnt the lessons of the Holocaust," he says. "But my confidence in feeling that has

been tremendously undermined by events we are seeing every day around us. par-

ticularly in the past few months." Although the recent rise of neo-fascism has an obvious anti-Semitic content, he believes it embraces discrimination of a broader nature, taking in many, if not all.

Like many Jews, secular and religious. Lord Rothschild is grappling with the questions of Jewish identity stimulated by such phenomena. For a Jew who wishes to avoid any return to a ghetto, but has little in the way of traditional Jewish

learning, the quest for a strong identity is unceasing.
"I am not a great fighter of assimilation. Nor am I pro-

assimilation," Lord Roth-schild says. "I am just liberal towards those who choose this route. I believe that if you live in a liberal community of the kind that exists in this country, it is a mistake to fight assimilation. I also feel that the history of Jews who have not assimi-lated has often been unhappy, through anti-Semitism and other factors, for long, long periods of time. Although assimilation is not in itself an answer to anti-Semitism."

srael is important, he believes, because it provides an alternative for those who do not want to assimilate. His commitment to Israel is unwavering. Yad Hanadiv, the Rothschild family foundation, is involved in up to 20 major projects in Israel, but until the opening of the Supreme Court, a gift of the foundation, last month, Lord Rothschild does not recall the charity taking such a public platform since the opening of another of its gifts. the Knesset building, where parliament sits, in 1957.

Some observers at the Supreme Court were surprised to hear Lord Rothschild deliver a speech partly in Hebrew, which he intends to start learning shortly. To his lasting regret, he had no Jewish religious education or upbringing to speak of, attend-ing Eton and Christ Church, Oxford.

Lord Rothschild sometimes attends Rabbi Hugo Gryn's Reform synagogue in Marble Arch, central London. To a question about whether his descendents will follow him in his commitment to Judaism, he responds that three of his four children were in Israel with him for the Supreme

Court opening, along with more than 20 other members of his family.

"I thought this was a good showing, to get them all to go to Israel in the middle of term time, or during the working period before the holidays," he says. He declines to say more. and it would indeed be a brave person who would question the Jewish identity of anyone with the Rothschild name.

Lord Rothschild is heading preparations to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the birth of Mayer Amschel Rothschild. the father of the family as it is today. The family can however trace its history to Frankfurt in the 15th century. He said: "I do not think anybody dissociates the Rothschild name from being Jewish. Even if the candle at times has not flickered very strongly, it has kept going. If you look at other 19th-century Anglo-Jewish families, perhaps the same cannot be said for them."

As former chairman of the National Gallery board of trustees, a post he left to head the National Heritage Memorial Fund, and as a figurehead of Anglo-Jewry, Lord Rothschild is proud to have been accepted equally by the Jewish and non-Jewish establishment. We spoke in the luxurious setting of Spencer House in St James's, one of London's finest 18th-century palaces. leased to Lord Rothschild's company by the family of the Princess of Wales in return for a £16 million restoration.

He believes he can make the institute's work more widely its influence at the highest levels of society and govern-ment. He says: "We should be involved in policy studies, planning for a European future which is free and safe for all minorities."

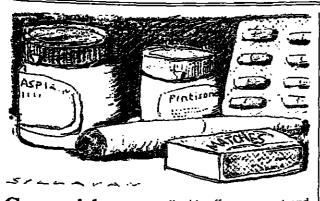
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### Care with cannabis

THE news that Liz MacRory. who has multiple sclerosis (MS), has found that cannabis will relieve the pain of muscle spasticity and help with her bladder control - a weak bladder is one of the curses of MS - will interest the other 100,000 United Kingdom sufferers from the disease, as well as their doctors.

Mrs MacRory is now quite legally prescribed nabilone, a synthetic cannabis-type drug.

Cannabis, even in its purified forms, has an unpre-

dictable effect on mood and therefore has to be used with caution in patients who have become either elated or depressed, whether because of their temperament or, in the case of patients with MS. because of the damage done to the brain by the disease. Forningiely in Mrs Mac-

Rory's case nabilone has made her more relaxed and cheerful. Patients, particularly those who are still driving would have to watch out for dmwsiness, pour concentration, dizziness and even confusion and should be aware that the drug increases the action of alcohol. Nabilone as well as cannabis can damage the

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# Passionate about pain

THE appeal by sado-masochists who were convicted and sentenced for privately indulging in sado-masochistic rituals has drawn attention to one of the more common sexual deviations. Magazines devoted to sado-masochism are the best-selling of all pornographic

Sadism — which takes its name from the activities of the Marquis de Sade is a condition in which people obtain erotic pleasure from inflicting pain. Masochism is pleasure derived from being hurt, restrained and-or humiliared. its name is derived from the Chevalier Leopold von Sacher-Masocn. The coupling of the two names as sado-masochism is medically sound, for it is rare to find a patient who is either exclusively sadistic or masochistic. Sado-masochists usually find pleasure in other pleasures as well as sadomasochism - Sacher-Masoch, for example, was a fur fetishist.

Minor degrees of sado-masochism can be detected in many - some specialists suggest most - people. Its influences can be recognised in such benign forms as the henpecked husband who apparently willingly submits to his dominant wife, or vice versa; and in the more sinister crimes of indecent exposure or obscene telephone calls, in



which the man takes satisfaction in trying to humiliate a woman. The division between the normal and abnormal in this aspect of sexual behaviour is difficult. Some people wish to be submissive, and this may be normal. But to fantasise about rape is obviously not. Frank sado-masochism becomes grossly abnormal when the ritual - and most of the behaviour centres on ritual - is actually danger ous, or when it ceases to be foreplay and becomes an end in itself. Carried to extremes, and particularly when combined with a psychopathic personality. it can turn people into some of the most dangerous criminals in the community: rapists and murderers.

Doctors only rarely see patients who have been badly beaten up. The gesture on the part of the dominant partner. the sadist, and the apparent acquies-

cence and pleasure in being humiliated of the masochist is in most cases all that is required to stimulate excitement.

It is agreed by psychologists that the origins of sado-masochism in adult life are laid down in childhood, but there the agreement ends. The popular view that it is an upper-class vice stemming from an early life in boarding schools in which corporal punishment was routine and ritualistic, and from rigid home backgrounds, is at the most only occasionally true. Anybody who visited a genito-urinary medical clinic would find that it is a sexual activity which is partaken by homosexuals and hetero-sexuals of both sexes, and transcends all class barriers. However, it does seem that the childhood background of sadomasochists was often unduly restrictive and over-disciplined.

Since most people find blatant sado-masochism difficult to understand or tolerate it is not surprising that its advocates have problems in finding partners. So long as there are women. and men, who are prepared to put on strange clothes, wave whips and even, for a fee, appear to take pleasure in either being theatrically dominant or submissive, there will be tenants who are able to pay the high rents in Notting Hill or Knightsbridge.



### A champion's hurdle

THE concern for Desert Orchid's welfare has not been confined to the Queen Mother and hundreds of thousands of racegoers. It has been felt by people who have never been near a racecourse.

Human life, too can be hazarded by volvulus, which is the sudden twisting of the intestine, a twisting which causes obstruction of the lumen — the passage through the gut — and a cut-off in the blood supply to the intestinal wall. In consequence gangrene of the gut may supervene. Any part of the gut can twist; the offending section in Desert Orchid's case was the small intestine, as it often is in humans, but the caecum or pelvic colon can be involved. The twisting frequently occurs around an adhesion, often a piece of scar tissue.

The signs of a volvulus are intestinal obstruction, cramping colicky pain, absolute constipation, retching, hiccups, vomiting and collapse. Characteristically, abdominal distension is greater in volvu-lus than in other forms of obstruction. Surgery to remove irreparably damaged gut, with maintenance of the correct fluid and electrolyte balance, is the only treatment.

Men may or may not think about sex every six minutes, but someone seems to think of doing a survey about it just as frequently. Alice Thomson reports

# Let's talk about sex (yes, again) You have to use the language

the British male. He has intercourse twice a week and fantasises in the bath. He thinks about sex on average every 15.3 minutes but says that sex is less important than his car. He believes humour is more important in a woman than intelligence. The wealthier he is the more likely he is to enjoy sadomasochism and bondage. He has no idea if he is wellendowed. (Men on Sex survey, Esquire magazine, 1992.) Sex surveys fascinate the

British public. It all started in America 1948 with The Kinsey Report, a serious scientific study, which told a shocked pre-Pill world how many homosexuals there were and the prevalence of oral sex. In the 1960s Dr William Masters and Virginia Johnson published up-dated statistics based on laboratory observations and questionnaires.

By the 1970s magazines once wedded to articles on kniming and cake decoration became devoted to in-thebedroom statistics. Surveys on sexual behaviour now constitute an entire genre of journalism for the tabloids: even Edith Cresson, the former prime minister of France, has joined in with her estimate that one in four men in Britain is homosexual.

Today, the National Survey of Sexual Attitudes and Lifestyles - the largest, most respectable and rigorous sexual survey ever carried out in Britain - is to publish its preliminary findings. The survey is of 19,000 people, evidently randomly selected, and has been funded by the Wellcome Trust. Its main aim is to provide information to help in the prediction and prevention of HIV infection. A subsidiary aim is to build a data base concerning sexual hehaviour in an advanced

But can we believe what sexual surveys (even scientific ones) say? Do they really have any relevance to the British public other than to make them neurotic about their sex lives because they have never dressed up in a Spiderman outfit or covered their pariner

in ginger biscuits and cream? Like drinking, smoking and absence from work, sex is one of those things that people are supposed to lie about, basing their answers on an ideal already given to them by previous sex surveys, or by a perceived norm. In a survey reported in the Daily Express in October, o I per cent of men said that they were first auracted to a woman by her personality. Only 8 per cent of men said they looked for long, slim legs or a pretty face. Psycholo-

fter the rash of teach-yourself-

good-sex videos, television and radio are making their contribu-

tions to the "is it sex education or is it titillation?" debate. Or, as Margi Clarke,

the presenter of Carlton Television's The Good Sex Guide, would put it they are

marching in the "the aural sexual revolution".

Tonight a Horizon documentary called "The Truth About Sex", to be shown at peak time, will feature the most sexually explicit material ever on air in Britain, according to Max Whitby, the producer of the programme. The footage was taken by William Masters and Virginia Johnson in the mid-1950s when they were consistent and

researching sexual dysfunction and

strove to learn about the abnormal by understanding the normal Jana Bennett.

the editor of Horizon, says, "It is not shown with any erotic intent, or even effect", and believes viewers will find it

fascinating. The programme examines a primary drive in all our lives, in the hope

of unravelling something about the true

nature of sex and sexuality," says Celia

Lowenstein, its director, who says she

thinks the Masters and Johnson footage should now be shown "mainly because it

Britain's biggest sex survey, which

announces its preliminary findings to-

day, was commissioned by the Health Education Authority (HEA) and Social

is their work".

Tonight a Horizon documentary called

gists call this "motivational distortion": women call it fib-

Anne Hooper, a sex thera-pist and counsellor, and the author of Anne Hooper's Ultimate Sex Guide, was involved in numerous sex surveys when she worked for Forum magazine. "We did a penis survey, a vibrator survey and an oral sex survey and I was surprised by how honest people were prepared to be," she says, "They seem to feel a certain responsibility. You get a nose for spotting the fantasy responses and the gags. Our penis survey the average size was six inches — corrolated almost

exactly with The Kinsey Report and with medical surveys. Ms Hooper believes sex surveys help to dispel peoples fears. "In one survey we con-

ducted only 29 per cent of

women said they experience orgasm due to love-making. That figure helps because it makes women who don't have orgasms during intercourse realise they are not freaks," she

says. When conducting face-toface surveys, she says, re-searchers have to be careful not to appear shocked. "A very respectable woman told me that her problem was that her husband wouldn't hang her. It is vital to take that unusual story as seriously as the usual. And of course we had to rely on people who offered their services, which is why I am looking forward to the national survey because it is the first totally random survey to be carried out."

Eleanor Stephens. a sex psychologist and producer of Channel 4's Love Talk and Men Talk series, thinks that people tend to give the kind of reply they would like to think was true. "Women appear to be more truthful. They are happier exposing their vulnerabilities," she says. "Men are prone to competition.

More than 1,000 men applied to appear on Men Talk and discuss sex and body image. "There was a strong cultural factor," Ms Stephens says. "Northern men tended to be happier boasting about their sexual expoits and would be less squeamish about saying a woman's place was in the home. The liberal Southern man tended to be more influenced by the new man image and would be very conservative in his estimates of how many women he had slept

"Men often say they practise safe sex when what they mean is they would like to practise safe sex but somehow haven't got round to it."

o survey can give a reliable definition of British sex life. according to Ms Stephens, but they are important because they stimulate discussion and can point to national trends. "The British are far too squeamish about discussing sex, which causes a lot of unhappiness and confusion. Sex education is vital if we are to stop HIV and teenage pregnancy.

"If people can have fun reading these surveys with their friends and chaning about the issues, then they are worthwhile," she says. "And if they prove certain trends, they

provide ammunition for those trying to predict and prevent they are used to otherwise you the Aids epidemic." can get into all sorts of

Dr Janet Holland has spent the past four years carrying out a qualitative in-depth investigation with 150 young women aged 16 to 21 in London and Manchester for Women Risk and Aids Project (Wrap), at a cost of È77.000. 'Women appear to be

Each woman was interviewed for up to two hours on sexual practice, feelings and what they knew about HIV. "Our main findings were that there is a lot of unsafe sexual activity among young people. They want sex to be spontaneous and roman-

tic and condoms don't fit the image. So now we know what areas we need to tackle." As a social scientist Dr Holland believes she has to

queers as far as I'm concerned. Dr Peter Davis, a sociology lecturer at Essex university and the co-founder of project

Sigma, agrees with Dr Holland that the phraseology of questions is vital. Sigma has been running since 1987 and has involved interviewing 1,000 homosexual and bi-

awkward situations," she says.

"Even the National Survey

had problems at the begin-

ning. When one man was

asked whether he was hetero-

sexual, he replied, 'Heterosex-

ual, bisexual, they're all bloody

as competition'

sexual men, each man for ten hours in total, about their sexual behaviour in the light of HIV. "Instead of asking them, 'Have you ever had sex with a woman?, you must say. When did you last have sex with a woman?" otherwise people are less likely to admit to things. Aids and illegal

activities are the subjects that must be approached sensitively.

Sigma has tried to more truthful. Men work out likely biases. "In our study we asare prone to see sex sumed that the number of people who admitted to having stigmatised experiences would be lower. Whereas things that reflect

well, like athletic sex, tend to be over-estimated," Dr Davis He is concerned that the national survey's results are not going to be accurate enough. "I believe they had.

problems getting participants

and I can see why. When I asked my group if they would

third said they would not admit they were homosexual." Dr Davis says the type of interviewer used is also critical. "Some people only admit something to a woman, others to a man. We found that the people we interviewed were far more forthcoming if the inter-

like to participate, over half of

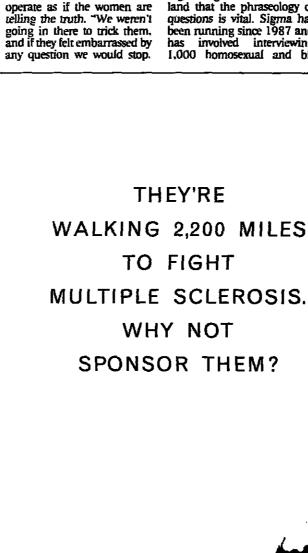
them said no. And of those

who said they wouldn't mind a

viewer was gay." And what of Cosmopolitan, the magazine that launched a thousand sex surveys and, in 1990, conducted one of the largest to date? Fifteen thousand people responded to the questionnaire and almost everyone took it very seriously, according to Marcelle D'Argy Smith, Cosmo's editor. "The problem about all sex surveys is that they are seen as being salacious and only good for a titter," she says. "Our main reason for carrying out this survey was to know about our readers and the way trends change from decade to decade. We found out that a fifth had lost their virginity by 15, and that 8 per cent had experienced incest, mostly involving brothers. The statistics are fascinating. They reassure groups of people that they are

not alone while providing

serious sociological data."



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Margi Clarke: relating to real people

and Community Planning Research to help the development of an effective Aids public education campaign. The produc-er of a new BBC Radio 1 series. Talk About Sex. suggests that concern about sexually transmitted diseases, in particufar the rise of gonorrhoea, and the desire to give greater coverage to matters of public health was one of the motives behind her programme. The three-week programme, aimed primarily at the under-25s, started last night with a bang, or at least with vivid descriptions of foreplay and intercourse.

The buzz word of Talk About Sex is "feelings", says its producer Charlotte Blofeld. Radio I is responding to a need

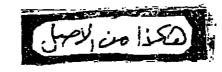
expressed by listeners not so much for guidance on technique as for how to apply what they learn in the biology class to their own lives," She is adamant that the programme is not at all titillating. "I think we are providing vital support in a difficult area, and this is borne out by the number of calls we receive." The BBC hopes that by having young people tell their own stories in their own language. the audience may identify with the speakers and be encouraged to call the free talk line for advice or reassurance.

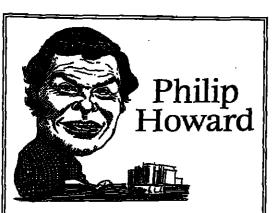
According to Vicki Barrass, the producer of The Good Sex Guide which is to be shown next month. "Relating to real people on television can give a great sense of permission to viewers, to feel they're not the only ones in that sense the series will be educational".

Ms Barrass hopes the frank series will be a turn-on and will make people more enthusiastic about sex. "But anyone who switches on to watch a dirty programme will he disappointed." And she disputes any suggestion of overkill. "Considering that sex is a major pre-occupation for most of us. I think it's astonishing how little it is on air.

ANNIE RANKIN

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### Correct pronunciation of the English language is a very stressful subject

nglish pronunciation is a minefield for native speakers as well as average time an Englishman opens his mouth, he native speakers as well as foreigners. Every enables other Englishmen, if not to despise him, at any rate to place him in some social and class pigeonhole. It is widely regarded as an error and a social and perhaps even a moral solecism to stress lamentable and controversy on their second syllables. But lament is stressed on its second syllable, and it would be a feat of tongue-twisting acrobatics to manage to pronounce controversial on its second syllable.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer prefers to stress his surname on its second syllable. Lamont by analogy with lament. This annoys Scots as much as Sassenachs who pronounce loch as a homophone of lock, instead of with the velar fricative at the end, as in the German ach. Lamont is a Scots and Northern Irish name, derived from the Old Norse words log meaning law and manns or man. His name means that he is the man who lays down the law, and in Scottish pronunciation the stress comes naturally on its first syllable. However, a man is entitled to do what he wants with his name and its pronunciation, provided he is prepared to take the consequences in misunderstanding and offence among other tribes of pronouncers. Winston Churchill, splendidly idiosyncratic pronouncer of Nazi and Goebbels and other names of scorn, declared: "Everyone has a right to pronounce foreign names as he chooses." The same right must be extended to foreigners mispronouncing English names such as Featherstonehaugh, and even Scottish names.

These are controversial pin-points, even for native speakers. I had a letter from a friend who is trying to arrange a large family gathering, and, commenting on the take-up of RSVPs, wrote: Two couples are very doubtful because they might be combining." What could she mean? That they were considering sharing transport to the ghastly occasion? That they were going to be away on holiday together? That they were hastily looking for a previous engagement of a gang-bang kind, into which we had better go no further in a family newspaper, to escape from the dreaded family gathering? Then the penny dropped. tardily. Both couples are in the agribusiness, if anything so uncertain and unprofitable as farming can still be described as a business in the extreme acceptance of the word. Their combining aegrotat needed to be stressed on the first syllable of combining, not the second, indicating that they might be polishing off the last straws of harvest with their combine harvesters.

ometimes English gives a hint of the stress required for the right sense by the spelling. Reveal and revelation indicate the shift of stress, so that who runs on tiptoe may read. And so does the shift in spelling from maintain to maintenance. But very few spellings do. Consider the shift in stress from atom to atomic, or the triple shift from phótograph to photógrapher to photographic. Pronouncing English "correctly" is a lifetime's work for a native. For a foreigner it is

Many English words are homographs but heterophones: they are spelled/spelt exactly the same, but stressed and pronounced differently depending on their different meanings and parts of speech. There are no clues in the spellings. You have to work out the stress of words such as desert, minute, present, and collect from their contexts, and native readers are sometimes going to get

Because of the phonology of their mother tongues, German speakers devoice final voiced consonants. From an interview with the punk rocker Johnny Rotten in The Independent Magazine: "At this point Nora appears to say: You vill not vont much, John, after the crap you had earlier." 'Crap?' You don't talk about things like that in public, you know!" "There has, though, been a misunderstanding. " 'I am talking about the crap you bought on the beach, John," Nora explains." The interviewer realises she is saving "crab". Pronunciation is a stormy sea in which we all swim, and sometimes sink.

### The enquiry into Matrix Churchill will never get to the bottom of the scandal, says Vernon Bogdanor

o one disputes the seriousness of the charges being investigated, de-clared Michael Heseltine of the Matrix Churchill affair in the House of Commons on November 23. It has been alleged that ministers have broken the Nuclear non-proliferation trea-ty, as well as their own guide-lines on selling arms to Iraq, that they have perspectively that they have systematically misled Parliament and the public, and have been prepared to connive at the imprisonment of innocent men. It is in everyone's interest, not least that of the ministers concerned, that these allegations be dealt with speedi-

allegations be dealt with speedily and effectively. How should this best be done?

The right procedure would be to establish a statutory tribunal as provided for by the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Act of 1921, for matters "of urgent public importance". Such a tribunal would have the powers of the High Court, or in of the High Court, or in Scotland, the Court of Session, with regard to the examination of witnesses and the production of documents.

Unfortunately, however, the government has chosen to establish a non-statutory enquiry under Lord Justice Scott, similar

# Whitewash or witch-hunt?

to that set up after the Profumo affair in 1963 under Lord Denning. But an enquiry of this type is unlikely to be able to establish the truth or to secure public acceptance of its findings. Witnesses will not be examined on oath, and those against whom allegations are made will be unable to check the evidence brought against them by crossexamination, and to rebut it. So it will be difficult for any fairminded person to determine whether the allegations are justi-fied. Therefore, if Lord Justice Scott does not wish to make adverse findings against those who cannot fully defend themselves, he will be accused, how-ever unfairly, of a "whitewash". Being unable to exculpate the accused ministers, he will fail to

allay public disquiet. It is for this reason that the Royal Commission on Tribu-nals of Inquiry chaired by Lord Justice Salmon, declared in 1966 that it was "extremely difficult, if not practically impossible" for an enquiry of the

Denning type to establish the truth. For, if it "felt justified in making an adverse finding against anyone, that person would and the public might also feel that he had a real grievance in that he had had no chance of defending himself — according-ly the truth may remain hidden from the light of day." Its conclusion was unequivocal: 'No Government in the future should ever in any circum-stances whatsoever set up a Tribunal of the type adopted in the Profumo case to investigate any matter causing nation-wide

public concern."
That the worries of the Salmon Commission were not merely theoretical can be shown, not only from the Denning enquiry, but also from the Crichel Down enquiry of 1954. The latter was conducted by Sir Andrew Clark, QC, a former Conservative parliamentary candidate, said to have been the only man able to lose Barnet for the Conservatives. His report has been shown by I.F. Nicolson in The Mystery

of Crichel Down (Clarendon Press, 1986) to be vitiated by serious mistakes both of fact and of law. Indeed, Sir Andrew succeeded, in the very first succeeded, in the very list paragraph of his factual narrative, both in misdating the year in which Crichel Down was acquired by the Air Ministry, and in falsely asserting that the land was "compulsorily acquired". Sir Andrew, a bitter appropriate of hurrancracy, atopponent of bureaucracy, at-tacked in his report, the integrity of civil servants who were unable to make public their side of

n the absence of proper judicial procedures officials and perhaps private citizens too may be exposed to similar vilification by the Scott enquiry. In the House of Commons on November 23, Robin Cook attacked by name an official who had worked with John Major, both at the Foreign Office and in 10 Downing Street, while Keith Hampson attacked the probity of Paul

Henderson, the managing di-rector of Matrix Churchill, even though Customs and Excise had withdrawn its prosecution against him. In neither case could those attacked defend

The Denning Report of 1963 has provided scurrilous enter-tainment for generations of undergraduates, yet, since the witnesses were not on oath. there is no reason to believe their evidence, especially as they had financial motives for producing stories which could later be sold to the newspapers. Lord Denning admitted the difficul-ties involved in establishing the truth. He had to act as "detective, inquisitor, advocate and judge". He had no doubt, however, that "I have been told as much truth without an oath as if it were on oath," a statement which those unable to accept Lord Denning's belief in

examine those making them. They should be granted immu-nity from later civil or criminal proceedings, since the tribunal's purpose would be to investigate the allegations against ministers in order, in the words of the Attorney-General. "to examine whether ministerial responsibility should be pinned in any particular area". The government has said that powers inadequate it will convert the enquiry into a statutory one as provided under the 1921

that any future nationwide crisis of confidence should be investigated by a statutory tribunal. Such a tribunal would examine

witnesses, who should be legally

represented, on oath. Witnesses would be informed beforehand

of allegations made against

them, and allowed to cross-

Act. But the onus should not be put on the judge. Instead, the government should immediateby convert the Scott enquiry into a statutory tribunal. This is the only way in which the Matrix Churchill affair can be authori-

his own judicial infallibility
might find difficult to accept.

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# Making do on £6 million a year

Bernard Levin offers his advice to a canny insurance salesman on how to dispose of a small fortune without really trying

Peter Wood, who earns six and a quarter million smackers a breathless with excitement, he has been trumpeting the news to the nation, and declaring that "The only people who will complain are ill-informed moaning minnies," adding, in a manner that strongly suggests he has entered for The Non Sequitur of the Year Contest, that those who criticise him for soaking up so much spondulicks are "saying that we ought to become like the former Soviet Union".

Well, to start with, it is sad to see a man with so much to jingle in his pockets who talks only in diches, but no doubt he would say he doesn't get his money for writing. Nor does he, he sells insurance. Oh, not door to door, of course, nothing so plebeian for him ('Well now, you are covered, and so is hubby, but how about the doggies — you can't keep them on the leash all the time, or the moaning minnies will start complaining"); no. he is nothing less than the head of the insurance subsidiary of the Royal Bank of Scotland: there's glory for you!

The smackers, we learn, are made up from a derisive annual salary of £285,000, augmented by bonuses (which his company must be well content to pay) of 66 million a year grown more statement to pay. 66 million a year; even more breathless and pleased with himself, he has announced that he expects the same gross income (I'll say it's gross) next year and the year after, after which he believes it may fall; kindly feel sorry for the poor bastard it's clogs to clogs in three years now, not generations, and he is already thinking of ways of keeping the marge on the bread. He threatens us, so help me, with a new company which would sell personal loans over

the telephone.

Now I had better make something clear before we continue. If, three years hence, the phone rings and I find some greasy sweet-talker at the other end (I assume that, as with the insurance wheeze. Wood won't be doing the actual selling) who

here is a man called is offering me a loan on the most remarkably generous terms - say, 40 per cent to start with - there will be an uproar that will shake the topless towers of the Royal Bank of Scotland. (Why, incidentally, is it "Royal"? Poor sinking Barclay's aren't royal, much less NatWest and the Co-op, and don't tell me they don't deserve it - of course they don't, but who says the tartan lot do?)

Anyway, when Little Jack. Horner has finished telling the world how he put in his thumb and pulled out a plum and said "what a good boy am I", there is something different I want to explore. Even at the worst, it seems, Mr Wood will, over three years earn, with salary and bonuses, something like E19 million. I assume that the figures are stated pre-tax, but a man so skilled with money would, of course, ensure that all lawful reductions of tax were properly claimed, so let us guess that one way or another he will be sitting on something getting close to £15 million jimmyo'goblins. My question is: what does a man actually do with that amount of dosh?

Te can rule out

some obvious things at once; he could, for instance (according to which sweetshop he patronises), buy 60 million Mars Bars, though he would be frightfully sick long before he finished consuming them. Or he could see Me and My Girl at the Adelphi Theatre every night it is playing, for 1.790 years. (Only 895 years if he takes his wife every time, but she might anyway jib halfway through.) Or he could change all the money into £20 notes and put them end to end, when he would discover that they stretch for 1,420 miles. Or he could buy 9.375.000 copies of my latest book and give them to his friends as Christmas presents. (You say nobody has got 9,375,000 friends? Don't be naive: a man with £15 million pounds has at least that number of close friends, and three times

as many casual ones.)



But now let us be serious. 1 Timothy, 6, vii. says "For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out." As it happens, I heard those sonorous and profoundly true words intoned only a few days ago in Westminster Abbey, at the memorial service

for Geraint Evans. They were true even for him, but he certainly got close to breaking the rule, for what he created between his coming into the world and his leaving it was a massive legacy, willed to the whole world, of joy, beauty, integrity, music (particularly

Mozart) and laughter. Beat that, Wood.

What will he do with it? He will have complete comfort, of course, and why not? Luxurious travel, likewise. If he collects anything, he can bid with confidence. The 1896 Haut

Brion will slip down a treat. The

Big-game shooting is frowned upon by the Politically Correct. but he could have the most splendid safari. Of course, people do win large sums on the pools, and even larger sums in their imagination: but the highest jackpot the pools offer is around £2 million and although anyone could live comfortably on the interest it doesn't com-pare with Mr Wood's monster

But I might as well go on like this for dozens of paragraphs. without causing the timest dent in Mr Wood's mountain of moolah or his need of it. I can understand the great empire builders - the Murdochs and Kerry Packers and Rowlands and their like - precisely because they are empire builders, and weep, like Alexander. when there are no more worlds to conquer, they are, however oddly, making something. While they are building their empires they naturally acquire enormous quantities of money. but that, I am certain, is not the primary purpose. (If it were, would Tiny Rowland have spent millions just to change his grocer? Dammit, would Rupert have bought The Times?) But Mr Wood, as far as I know, is not planning a takeover of the Bank of England, followed by Crédit Lyonnais. the Bundesbank and Fort Knox.

then why is he so suffocatingly pleased with himself for notching up six and a bit million quid a year? It is true, we must agree, that you and I could not do what he did, for the obvious reason that we do not have that talent. But the question is the same: what can he not do with a few hundred thousand, even a million or two or three, that he has to have £15 million to do it?

"Money speaks all languages," goes the proverb. But I demand a simultaneous translation; I do not believe that Mr Wood is a real miser, sitting at home beside an enormous chest running his doubloons through his fingers, but neither do l believe that he is putting away a dozen million quid or so for when the hard times come. My bewilderment may be enough for him to class me among the moaning minnies, but I think you will agree that there are more questions than answers in my story today. Here is another relevant proverb: "There are no pockets in a shroud."

### Reopening the batting

THE MCC, currently embroiled in the row over David Gower's exclu-sion from the tour of India, is about to be bowled a googly on another contentious cricketing issue. The redoubtable Rachael Heyhoe Flint, former captain of the England women's cricket team, is preparing to put the question of women members back on the agenda at the next annual meeting of the MCC.

Heyhoe Flint, who had lunch at Chequers with John Major on Sunday, was heavily defeated two years ago in her attempt to become the first woman member. But she has not given up. "The MCC said they would address the issue and they have had the time to do so," she says.
"This is not just for me. It is for

all women around the world who care about cricket and want to become a member of the greatest cricket club in the world."

Gillan may have the ear of the prime minister, whom she first met at a cricket match, but she has hit a sticky wicket with Parliament's most famous female cricketer. Cheryl Gillan, who became the first woman MP to play for the House of Commons team, takes an opposite stance to Heyhoe Flint. "I hand," she says.

don't think my view will be popular with Rachael, she says. "I have never felt any great urge to join the MCC. While I care passionately about equality of pay and jobs, it can go too far. I would not want men to join the Women's Institute."

The loss of Gillan's support will come as a blow to Heyhoe Flint. The Tory MP for Chesham and Amersham made such an impression on the parliamentary team that she has been asked to captain it next year in a match against Roedean school. "I faced four balls and bowled. Overarm." says a proud Gillan, who gave her Com-mons cap to The Misfits, the village cricket team in her constituency. Heyhoe Flint, in the spirit of the

congratulate Gillan on her captaincy of the Commons team and hopes to go to Roedean to cheer her on. The MCC's passionate support for Gower has not yet extended to allowing him to become a member of the club. But Heyhoe Flint believes the languid cricketer should become a member forthwith. "Perhaps we can walk through the fabled gates hand in

game, still intends to write to



### Tax clemency

BRITAIN'S newest taxpayers will no doubt be delighted to hear that they are in line to receive the full complement of benefits and discounts under the new council tax. The royal family's regal apartments, palaces, castles and country houses inevitably fall into the highest category — H — for payment of the tax but, like other large properties, they will qualify for transitional benefit.

Under the poll tax, for instance, the Prince and Princess of Wales currently pay a total of £544. Under the new tax, they will eventually be forced to pay £1,026. But, says Rod Smith, revenue manager for Cotswold district, the Prince and his wife are entitled to claim the transitional benefit, which would leave them with a total bill of no more than £730 for each of the next two

According to Smith, the Princess Royal, whose Gatcombe Park property comes under neighbouring Stroud council, can also claim the 25 per cent discount as a single person - if she can prove that no one else over 18 lives at the house. The only member of the family firm who may lose out, it seems, is Queen Elizabeth the Queen Moth-er at Clarence House. "There are no special subsidies for pensioners," the ministry says.

● As the IRA brought London's West End to a standstill on Tuesday night, the Dunkirk spirit prevailed at the New Empire nightclub on the Tottenham Court Road, where Channel 4 was film-ing a comedy show featuring Tom Jones as guest singer. As soon as the bomb scare was announced, Jones kicked off an impromptu concert. To the accompaniment of a controlled explosion, he belted out "It's Not Unusual", a fitting, if depressing signature tune.

### Stakhanovism

THE Bolshoi Ballet's five-week season at the Albert Hall is beginning to resemble a Napoleonic invasion. The ballet, which is flying 160 artistes to London, is leaving nothing



Society dances are out, recession-style fund-raising is in. For example, lady Tryon, left, is hosting a sale of posh frocks at her home in Great Durnford near Salisbury today and tomorrow. Dale "Kanga" Tryon, who insists the sale is no reflection on her dress business, is cutting prices by half. The proceeds will go to the Leonora children's cancer appeal in memory of Leonora Knatchbull, centre, the daughter of Lady Romsey.

to chance. It has chartered a special broadcast on Radio 2, "It is an unplane to ity in two tonnes of its own music, under the personal supervision of Vladimir Onoprienko, the Bolshoi's music librarian.

The scale of the operation is

daunting the musicians of the 75piece BBC Symphony Orchestra, which will accompany the ballet in January. The performances will be

usually gruelling schedule," says Peter Nutt, Radio 2's head of live music. "The musicians will have to perform six days a week, including a matinée on Saturdays. By mid-February they will have played 13 different ballets. The brass section in particular is worried about sore Sonic the Hedgehog has fallen foul of the Royal Borough of Ken-sington and Chelsea. Sega, which makes the hedgehog computer game, has been ordered by the council to remove its giant poster of the squashed hedgehog which is plastered across its office building on the corner of London's Crom-well Road and Earl's Court Road. The junction is one of the capital's premier advertising sites and is said to be the busiest crossroads in

"It has upset children and some councillors also said 'yuk'", says a spokesman for the council Segu has taken umbrage. "It is there to promote the plight of hedgehogs." says a spokesman haughtily. if somewhat implausibly.

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Better screening

From Dame Jill Knight, MP for

Birmingham, Edgbaston

human error.

(Conservative), and others

for cervical cancer

Sir. In the light of your December 1

report about the declining death rate from cervical cancer, we and many

other MPs from all parties would like

to point out that although about five million smear tests are taken each year from women to try to detect

cervical cancer, the present test is acknowledged to be at least 10-15 per

cent inaccurate and is at risk from

This means that every year between 500,000 and 750,000 women are

misled by their smear-test result. If

they are not retested for some years,

the cancer may well have progressed and may be untreatable. About 2,000

women each year die from cervical

With help from the charity Quest

Cancer Trust, scientists at University

College London have developed a

computerised test which is more

accurate and reliable, as well as

cheaper. It relies upon a colour reaction in which the cancer cells are

coloured deeply.

To fund final clinical trials of this

new test. Ouest needs £480,000 from

the Department of Health - the

general taxation raised in just 60

seconds. We hope that the Secretary of

State for Health will now agree to

fund this final trial which can save

both anxiety and avoidable death from cervical and other cancers.

ALEX CARLILE (Liberal Democrat).

Contraception concern

Sir, I understand that the government

may extend the list that restricts the

drugs which may be prescribed under

the NHS. We have at present seven

therapeutic categories of such drugs;

the suggestion is that these will be

extended to 17 - including contra-

A limited list will narrow doctors'

choice because the Department of

Health says that "there are effective

The number of unwanted preg-

nancies and terminations in the

United Kingdom continues to cause

concern. Most clinicians, I believe,

would say there were advantages in

the more modern, albeit more expen-

sive, contraceptive pills: there appears to be firm scientific evidence that they

Lists often place cost first, without

regard to long-term risk. There is also

the possibility that economy will

diminish research into newer drugs.

One can only hope that therapeutic

choice for contraception will be left

Brynteg Surgery, Brynteg Terrace, Ammanford, Dyfed.

Book club anomaly

Yours faithfully

November 30.

DAVID MURFIN.

From Mr Terry Maher

involve less risk of complications.

alternatives available at lower cost".

IAN McCARTNEY (Labour).

JILL KNIGHŤ,

House of Commons.

From Dr D. E. Murfin

ception.



### LONG DISTANCE JAW

The EC debate may sound dull, but it could be decisive

The Maastricht marathon has just begun. Runners jostled a little for position on the starting line but, once the gun was fired, they set off at a brisk pace. This race will run and nun, since the finish cannot take place until May. Judging by the first two days' performance, however, the competitors are unlikely to run out of puff.

Boredom will be the biggest enemy. Bill Cash may have no problem talking for over two hours, as he did on Tuesday; he was still, he said, "only a fraction into the argument". But government whips were apparently gratified by the number of MPs who decided to have dinner rather than hear him out. Six months of such filibustering may sap the motivation of the sturdiest Eurosceptics.

Their organisation, however, is excellent. With Michael Spicer, a former minister, at their head, and Mr Cash doing the footwork, the Eurosceptics' campaign is unlikely to fall apart in the lobbies. Labour, too, is determined to keep the government guessing about its voting intentions. Tory whips have an anxious six months ahead.

As John Major bustles around Europe trying to find agreement for next week's Edinburgh summit, life at home is becoming more difficult. He is under enormous pressure to return from Edinburgh with Britain's budget rebate intact; any reduction will cause fury in his party's ranks. But the cost will almost certainly be an increase in the EC's budget overall. Since the money is required to help the poorer countries towards economic convergence and since convergence is required for monetary union. this will not go down well with the sceptics. They will argue that EMU is nonsense anyway and Britain will take no part in it: so why should the British taxpayer subsidise the Irish, the Spaniards and the Greeks?

Meanwhile, subsidiarity seems to have dropped down the Edinburgh agenda. This too will displease Tory MPs, particularly the

waverers who were induced to vote for the government in the paving debate on Maastricht on the grounds that a firm declaration on subsidiarity would be secured at Edinburgh. The government has been selling Maastricht on what it is not; the only positive aspect of the treaty, according to ministers, is that it rolls back the powers of Brussels. As drafted, this is far from clear.

In Germany yesterday, the Bundestag ratified Maastricht by an overwhelming majority, but also granted itself the right to be consulted before the country decides whether to enter monetary union. This has both amused and infuriated British Eurosceptics. On the one hand, it seems to set a precedent for national parliaments to attach conditions to ratification. If the Bundestag can do so, why not the House of Commons? On the other, Germany seems to have granted itself the same opt-out unilaterally that Britain had to win through tough negotiation and in return for other concessions.

Most useful for the sceptics is the argument that Germany has now not really ratified Maastricht at all. In which case, why is the British Parliament wasting so much time discussing a treaty that Danes have rejected and Germans have weaselled out of? If Edinburgh clouds the issue still further, they hope that Labour will change its position from supporting Masstricht as the best treaty available to voting against it on the grounds that it is of questionable validity.

There will be frequent opportunities to vote the bill down between now and May: an amendment on the European central bank could win Labour support, and a referendum amendment ought to, though John Smith would have to change his stated position. As Mr Major races around the continent trying to salvage his presidency, he cannot afford to take his eye off the dull but possibly decisive debate at home.

### **RUSSIA IN WONDERLAND**

Moscow's politicians are more alike than they look

The Congress of People's Deputies in Moscow this week has been billed as a fight to the death between the pro-Western democratic reformers who have run Russia since Boris Yeltsin dissolved the Soviet Union and the reactionary representatives of the "military industrial complex". Yet, despite the personal animosities so evident in the Russian congress, the difference between the policies likely to be pursued by the so-called reactionaries and the so-called reformers may not be so vast.

Consider the vicious parliamentary frontation between Yegor Gaidar, the fervently pro-Western reformist prime minister. and vice-president Alexander Rutskoi. Only last week President Yeltsin had apparently concluded a deal with the Civic Union, the increasingly well organised political grouping behind General Rutskoi. Yesterday. speaker after speaker demanded Mr Gaidar's resignation, and General Rutskoi insisted that President Yeltsin must accept in full the Civic Union's programme to slow down the economic reform.

Unless the government offered easier credit and reintroduced price controls a collapse of industry was threatened, producing unemployment in the tens of millions. outbreaks of famine, and a final descent into chaos and civil war. Mr Gaidar countered with prophecies almost as chilling. His programme, he said, had confounded repeated predictions of "cold, hunger and social upheavals". To accommodate the demands of the industrial barons would be to guarantee "hyper-inflation".

There was a strong whiff of Alice in Wonderland about this whole affair. Behind the bombast, how genuinely different are the policies the two sides espouse? Mr Gaidar

warns of the risk of hyper-inflation, yet his own government's "ultra-monetarist" policies are delivering inflation of 25 per cent a month, equivalent to 1,400 per cent a year. The Civic Union warns of collapsing output without a retreat towards central planning: but output has already fallen by 20 per cent in the year since the start of the Gaidar programme - the same rate of decline as in each of the previous two years.

The truth is harsh for both sides. Neither the government nor the industrialists can relieve Russia's economic plight with any one programme. There will be more inflation and there will be further industrial decline whatever the government tries to do. While the Russian people gradually learn to work with markets, and the militarised economy is slowly transformed into one capable of meeting real human needs, the Russian government will inevitably have to manage a series of economic crises, rather than implement any clear-cut economic blueprint.

During this long period of transition, the Russian government's highest priorities should be to create private property and attract foreign investment. Success here depends less on monetary stability than on political guarantees. The West, in offering its assistance, should have three main goals. It should curb military exports and encourage political co-operation among the democrats who are fortunately still prominent in the Civic Union as well as the Gaidar government. A financial safety net should be designed that will prevent the armies of unemployed from becoming armies of soldiers or refugees marauding around central Europe. Most of the rest is but rhetoric.

### **DARK BLUES**

Freshers need tender loving care as well as supervision

Today's inquest into the death of Tracey Cole, the Oxford student found hanged in her college room in October, will force the university to confront its darkest fear: that it is not fit to look after the cream of the nation's youth. These sombre proceedings will be overshadowed further by the death of Henry Skelton, a New College undergraduate who died yesterday morning after falling from a second floor window, allegedly in a drug-induced trance.

Oxford's notoriety as a city of death is part of its myth, a caricature founded on superstition as much as fact. Wretched and completely unrelated incidents such as the suicide of Canon Gareth Bennett in 1987 and the murder of Rachel McLean last year have been spun into a ghoulish tapestry, encouraging the cliché that Oxford is a place where talent destroys itself. The traumas suffered by students and dons at other universities are doubtless just as severe. But they rarely excite the same public fascination.

Nonetheless, Oxford is sufficently concerned to have commissioned an internal investigation into the incidence of suicide. Its common rooms have buzzed with anxiety since the death of Miss Cole, barely a week

after her arrival to study English. Yesterday's fatal accident at New College will reawaken memories of Olivia Channon's death six years ago. which alerted dons to the extent of drug abuse among undergraduates. While Oxford remains an intensely competitive and privi-

leged institution, it has done a great deal in recent years to improve access to state school pupils and to debunk the pernicious Brideshead mythology. The pastoral care it offers to undergraduates is also far better than is often appreciated. A university counselling service and telephone helpline supplement the efforts of college tutors, some of whom devote many hours to the nonacademic concerns of their students.

The strength of this system is its informality and decentralisation. Oxford colleges are families as well as scholarly communities which seek to nurture their young members with good fellowship and save them from excesses, be they of lonely misery or reckless self-indulgence. Dons should look at ways of enhancing this sympathetic culture, without inventing bureaucracies.

No university can prevent its students from taking lethal doses of drugs if they are determined to do so. Academics are good at playing uncle, bad at playing Big Brother. But new undergraduates would benefit from a more structured introduction to college life in their first weeks and the guarantee of a

surer safety net thereafter. Oxford could learn from the civilised tradition at St Andrews where freshers known as bejants - are allotted two older students as academic parents, to provide guidance and a measure of supervision. Such a practice could easily be transplanted south of the border and would strengthen Oxford's collegiate ethos.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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### Curb on role of the conciliators From Mr David Famham

Sir, Through the Trade Union Re-form and Employment Rights Bill the government plans to change the functions of Acas (Advisory, Concili-ation and Arbitration Service). Clause 32 proposes to remove the particular requirement to encourage the extension, development and reform of collective bargaining from Acas's general duty to promote the improvement of industrial relations. This represents a fundamental, some might say historic, shift in declared

public policy.

From the Whitley committee in 1917-18, through to the Donovan commission in 1968 and the Employment Protection Act 1975, the state has supported and encouraged voluntary collective bargaining in the conduct of industrial relations. This was done by example in the public sector and by persuasion and the law in the private sector.

Since 1979, de facto public policy has seriously weakened collective bargaining and collective representation at work. Clause 32 will make this

The proposed change in the traditional role of Acas is a major reversal of accepted state policy on employee relations. It tacitly legitimises employer resistance to collective bargaining. It seems clearly to reject the state's responsibility for promoting fair play in wage-fixing and employment matters. And it manifestly ignores the fundamental imbalance of power between employers and employees in the labour market and the workplace.

Yours sincerely DAVID FARNHAM. Sunnymead, Seagrove Bay, Seaview, Isle of Wight. November 27.

### From Mr Ray Hurst

Sir, To justify her decision to end the long-standing policy of making local education authorities responsible for providing a careers service, Mrs Gillian Shephard attempts to blame the present structure for deficiencies in careers guidance (reports, Novem-

For many years the local authority careers service has been extending its guidance work with younger pupils despite unprecedented unemployment and inadequate government

If the Secretary of State is so concerned about the quality of careers guidance, why has she excluded from the Trade Union Reform and Employment Rights Bill any requirement the careers service to provide written summaries of vocational advice to young people, as envisaged in the Employment and Training Act 1973 but not introduced by the Conservative government?

She has sufficient powers under that Act to improve the quality of careers guidance without demolishing a structure which has served young people so well over many years.

Yours faithfully, RAY HURST, 39 Corporation Road. Redcar, Cleveland. November 24.

### Treasure hunting

From Mr Martin Beddoe

Sir, While those of us with an interest both in the law and in archaeology applaud further moves to restrict the wanton and careless use of metal detectors, it is misleading of those who advocate additions to the criminal law to suggest that the police want powers of arrest "which they do not have at the moment" (report, November 20).

Where users of metal detectors are found on land to which they have not been admitted by the owner they are. prima facie, committing the arrestable offences of (i) going equipped for theft (contrary to section 25 of the Theft Act 1968), or (ii) attempted theft, or (iii), if they remove items found thereby, theft itself.

After appropriate arrests by the police recently, successful prosecu-tions for such offences against metaldetector users have been pursued by the Suffolk Crown Prosecution Service. They have shown that these powers can be both considerable and effective in dealing with the menace of greedy and indiscriminate trespass on and disruption of valuable ancient sites and private property.

Yours faithfully.
MARTIN BEDDOE. Fenners Chambers. 3 Madingley Road. Cambridge.

### Ireland's example

From Mr Richard A. Clark Sir, Mr Weston (letter, December 2) makes a sound point about proportional representation in Ireland. More than a week after voting in the general election, we still don't know who will form the government the horse-trading continues as the minority parties jostle to control the majority. Yet on this side of the Irish Sea. there is a deafening and un-characteristic silence from perhaps our greatest exponent of PR.

If Mr Paddy Ashdown is on holiday. I hope he is having better weather than we are.

Yours faithfully RICHARD CLARK. The Close, Pewsey, Wiltshire.

### Children's tests a problem for adults

From the Chief Executive of the School Examinations and Assessment Council

Sir, I have been concerned, although also amused, to see that some of your correspondents (November 20, 27) have been having difficulty with the mathematics and science questions which you printed on November 18, devised by SEAC for 7-year-olds' national curriculum assessment next summer.

sheets designed for pupils' use, it is necessary to see the accompanying mark schemes and the instructions for teachers, which explain how the material is to be used in practice.

In the case of the algebra question. which seems to have caused the greatest puzzlement, the teacher will explain to the pupils that a friend has been doing a long calculation on a calculator and has pressed some keys incorrectly. It is a simple test of knowing how to cancel the last number entered, without clearing the whole calculation and was designed for bright 7-year-olds; part of the work they will have covered over the previous two years deals with how calculators function, including the notion of undoing a mistake.

I believe the problem has arisen because to understand the individual

Commenting on the science question, your correspondents are obviously correct that only spoons and drawing pins made from ferrous metals will be attracted by the magnet. The test instructions to the teacher make this clear, and in instances where children give an unexpected response, the teacher will discuss the answer with the pupil to find out if he or she does not understand about magnetic attraction, or has gone a step further and realises that there are some metals

which a magnet will not attract. In the second case, the child will be given

I hope your correspondents will be reassured. SEAC takes great care before recommending tests to the Secretary of State, and is confident that they are realistic for 7-year-olds. while offering an appropriate challenge to the more able.

Yours faithfully, HILARY A. NICOLLE, Chief Executive, SEAC, Newcombe House, 45 Notting Hill Gate, W11. December 1.

From Mr Eddie Philpott-Kent Sir, The answers to the three trivial calculator problems which defeat so many of your adult readers are surely blindingly obvious: - 27 = for the first; = 2 = for the second; + 13 = for the

Isn't it depressing that so many people, including a teacher (letter, November 27), should rush to boast about their incompetence to deal with simple calculator manipulations? Let us hope that the next generation

will do better, though it seems they will have to be largely self-taught. Yours sincerely, E. PHILPOTT-KENT,

Holgate Farm, The Street, Burwell, Norwich, Norfolk. November 28.

From Rosie Enock Sir, The sums in The Times were easy. My daddy showed me them and they were pipsy.

ROSIE ENOCK (aged 8). Tremayne House, Wartling Hill, Hailsham, East Sussex.

### Worth of schools' league tables

From Councillor P. H. Twyman

Sir, In her letter (November 30) about school examination league tables the headmistress of the Godolphin School refers to "a nonsense exercise, revealing large numbers of statistical

According to Mr Eric Forth, Under Secretary of State for Education (Hansard. November 27), only six significant errors have been proved to have been the fault of the Department for Education or its contractors. Given that there were 4,600 schools covered in the tables, which were made up of a quarter of a million pieces of individual information, this strikes me as a pretty good standard of performance. It certainly does not justify the

somewhat hysterical response from the educational establishment, including the head of Godolphin School. Yours faithfully

Thrift House, 129 Minnis Road, Birchington, Kent. From the Head Master of William

P. H. TWYMAN,

Hulme's Grammar School Sir, I am mildly interested in the perverse logic whereby John Patten denigrates the validity of the GCSE results in August (report, September 4) and builds assumptions of success and failure in schools on these very

same statistics in November. Yours faithfully. P. D. BRIGGS, Head Master,

William Hulme's Grammar School, Spring Bridge Road, Manchester 16.

### Paying the piper

From Sir Peter Maxwell Davies. President of the Composers' Guild of

Sir. I was very disturbed to read in your Arts pages of November 25 "Cuts that may mean curtains") the words of Mr Anthony Everitt, secretary-general of the Arts Council: We will have to focus on what business would call its core business support for artists and arts organisations. There are things we do that are not directly related to our support for artists and arts organisations, for example giving money for a composer to write a piece of music, So some difficult choices may have to be made.

So: the composer is not an artist. and is given money, not paid a professional fee for writing - the implications being, first, that this is a charitable act, and, secondly, that the giving" is peripheral to the artistic scene. If this attitude had been taken towards composers' income and worth there would be precious little for the artists Mr Everitt apparently regards as being more central and

deserving to play or sing. Composers have been used to poor payment throughout musical history; but that such a view should emanate from the secretary-general of the British Arts Council is a downright scandal. The fees composers have earned from Arts Council commissions — small enough! — have kept the wolf from the door, while some very important and ultimately suc-

cessful music has been created.

Quite a few of my own published scores have on their title page "Commissioned with funds made available by the Arts Council of Great Britain": without these funds the works would never have been brought into existence, and would not be now earning royalties for the tax man to

However, this is not the point - the Arts Council can hardly be looking for some kind of roundabout financial return on its investments: it should be encouraging the performing and creative arts in areas where commercial sponsorship is difficult to obtain. It seems, however that the value of musical composition, as such, is not appreciated in the highest places. Yours etc.,

PETER MAXWELL DAVIES, President, Composers' Guild of Great Britain, 50 Hogarth Road, SW5.

opposite page without resorting to bits

of Latin, etc., in italics. I wonder if all your own staff can unhesitatingly read

through these foreign phrases and

know what they mean better than if

I don't share John Major's wish for a classless society, but as they are, your articles are for that class of people who

were taught French, Latin or what-

ever language you decide to make use

Kingston upon Thames, Surrey.

they were written in English.

Regards, JOHN F. PUGSLEY,

30 Liverpool Road,

November 27.

### Plain English

From Mr John F. Pugsley Sir. Your leading article, "A minister's money" (November 30), tells us that The attitude of 'L'état, c'est moi' is an affliction that comes ...". Some of your readers would not know what

I am one of them and I have been reading your newspaper for over 30 years. Of course, I can guess fairly accurately, I have seen the phrase before and having looked it up in the back of my dictionary, find that I was just about right.

Even Levin, for a change, managed to get through an article on the From the Chief Executive, Calderdale

and Kirklees TEC Sir. It surely cannot be right that parents and pupils, industrialists and educationalists have precious little idea of the number, range and success of vocational courses being offered (or not?) within schools.

There is an urgent need to ensure we reduce the academic/vocational divide. The league tables do nothing

to achieve this. Yours faithfully, ALISTAIR GRAHAM, Chief Executive, Calderdale and Kirkless Training and Enterprise Council Ltd., Woodvale Office Park, Woodvale Road, Brighouse, West Yorkshire. November 19.

From Mr Rodney H. W. Cooper

Sir, I studied with interest the results of the first running of the John Patten Selling Stakes Hurdle ("School Report". November 19). What a lot of stables: what a lot of horses! Yet it seems to me that the favourites

obliged each time. May we hope that before the next running the handicapper will get to work or some trainers, let alone horses, will get discouraged and the bookies will clean up?

Yours faithfully, RODNEY H. W. COOPER, 175 Ballards Way.

# Addington Hills, Croydon, Surrey.

Sir. Harry Eyres (article, November 26) highlights one of the most spectacular anomalies of the book trade. The net book agreement now allows publishers, through the artifice of book clubs, to market newly published titles directly to the public at substantial price discounts with "no obligation" to purchase further books. Bookshops, which are keen to make the same offer, are denied the opportunity. In the Alice in Wonderland world

of the net book agreement, publishers praise book clubs for bold innovation: but the unfortunate bookseller ends up hauled before a court. Yours faithfully,

T. A. MAHEŘ (Chairman). Pentos plc, 9 Clifford Street, W1. November 26.

### **Artistic impressions**

From Mr Jason Lofts

Sir, Competition judges usually have a discretion not to award first prize or any prize at all if, in their opinion, no

entry meets the requisite standard. I venture to suggest that the Turner Prize this year (letters, November 26) was an instance where the exercise of such discretion would have met with public acclaim.

Yours faithfully, JASON LOFTS

26A Berrymede Road, Chiswick, W4. From Mr Paul Edelin de la Praudière Sir. May I propose that Mr Gerald Ratner, on stepping down from his firm, should be offered a post as a

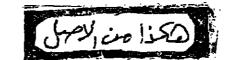
judge for the Turner Prize for contemporary British art. Yours sincerely, P. L. EDELIN de la PRAUDIÈRE, 128 Palewell Park,

East Sheen, SW14.

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### **COURT CIRCULAR**

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** December 2: Dame Ninette de Valois was received by The Queen when Her Majesty invested her with the Insignia of a Member of the Order of Merit.

Sir Edward Ford (Secretary and Registrar of the Order of Merit) was in attendance. His Excellency Sayed

Mohammed Osman Yassin was received in audience by The Queen and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Credence as Ambassador

Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Republic of the Sudan to the Court of St James's.

His Excellency was accompanied by the following members of the Embassy: Sayed Ahmed Omer Ahmed (Minister Plenipotentiary), Sayed Abdel Wahab Ahmed Mehamed Osera, (Information, Company, (Information)) Sayed Adder Wanab Anmed Mohamed Osman (Information Counsellor), Sayed Sulieman Mohamed Mustafa (Counsellor), Sayed Ahmed Fedail Mahgoub Fedail (Counsellor), Sayed Mirghani Abaker Bakheit (Second Secretary), Sayed Eldirdiri Ahmed Mohamed Hussein (Second Sec-retary) and Sayed Babiker El Siddig Mohamed El Amin (Third

Secretary).
Sir David Gillmore (Permanent Under Secretary of State for For-eign and Commonwealth Affairs) was present and the Household in Waiting were in attendance.

Admiral Sir Jock Slater was received in audience by Her Majesty upon relinquishing his appointment as Commander-in-

Sir Michael Atiyah was received by The Queen when Her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Member of the Order of Merit. Sir Edward Ford (Secretary and Registrar of the Order of Merit) was in attendance.

The President of the Italian Republic and his daughter, Si-gnorina Marianna Scalfaro, this afternoon visited The Queen.

The Duke of Edinburgh, Patron. this evening attended a Dinner given by the London Federation of Boys' Clubs at the Lanesborough Hotel, London SW1. Brigadier Miles Hunt-Davis was in

By Command of The Queen, the Viscount St Davids, Lord in Waiting, was present at Royal Air Force Northolt this morning upon the Arrival of The President of the Italian Republic and welcomed His Excellency on behalf of Her

December 2: The Prince Edward, Patron, the Scottish Badminton Union, this morning attended the. Triangular International Bad-minton Match - Wales, Scotland and Ireland - and afterwards was entertained to Lunch by the Welsh Badminton Union at the Afan. Lido Sports Centre, Port Talbot: and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for West Glamorgan (Lieutenant Colonel Sir Mich-

His Royal Highness, Chairman, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Special Projects Group, this afternoon visited the Open Award Centre at Swansea City Associ-ation Football Club and Olchia School at Gowler Road, Sketty. Swansen, Lieutenant Colonel Se

O'Dwyer was in attendance. cert at Spencer House, St James's Place, London SW1 in aid of the The Prince Edward, Trustee. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, this evening attended a Presenta-tion and Dinner for the Young Presidents Organisation at St James's Palace. Mrs Richard Warwas in attendance. The Duchess of Kent, Patron of the Samaritans, this evening attended a "Fabergé from Private Collections" Exhibition at Wartski, Grafton Street, London WI.

Mrs David Napier was in hurton was in attendance.

December 2: The Princess Royal. Association, this morning at-tended the National Olympic Committee Meeting at Queens Club Palliser Road, London W14. Her Royal Highness, President.
Royal Yachting Association, this
afternoon attended a Council
Meeting at the Royal Thames
Yacht club, 60 Knightsbridge,

London SW1. The Princess Royal, Com-nandant in Chief, St John Ambulance and Nursing Cadets, this evening attended the St John Sparkling Starlight Ball and Din-ner at the Dorchester Hotel, Park Lane, London W1. Mrs Charles Ritchie was in attendance.

CLARENCE HOUSE December 2: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this morning vis-ited the Royal Smithfield Show at Earls Court.

The Lady Margaret Colville and Major Sir Ralph Anstruther, Bt were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE December 2: The Prince of Wales, President, The Prince's Trust, this morning attended the "Young Offender" Conference at Pentonville Prison, London N7.

His Royal Highness, President Business in the Community, sub-sequently visited Community Links at 105 Barking Road London, E16. The Prince of Wales, President,

The Prince's Youth Business Trust, this afternoon attended a trade event with The Prince's Youth Business Trust businesses and their advisers at Queen Mary and Westfield College, Mile End Road. London E1. Finally, His Royal Highness met

staff, students and graduates of the Urban Learning Foundation and also staff and graduates of the Windsor Fellowship at 56 East India Dock Road, London E14. Mr Hugh Merrill was in

His Royal Highness later received the Rt Hon John Major MP (Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury). The Princess of Wales, Patron. Turning Point, this morning at-tended a Reception at the House of

Lords, Palace of Westminster, London SW3 Mr Patrick Jephson was in attendance. YORK HOUSE

ST JAMES'S PALACE December 2: The Duke of Kent, President, this afternoon attended the Business and Technology Edu-cation Council's Student of the Year Medal Award Ceremony at

### Record price for Picasso prints

BY SARAH JANE CHECKLAND. ART MARKET CORRESPONDENT

PICASSO returned to the limelight after more than a year of patchy performance yesterday when his Vollard suite fetched £660,000 at Christie's, breaking the record for any print lot sold at auction. The buyer was the New York depler. New York dealer David Tunick.

the Institute of Civil Engineers, Great George Street, London WI. Captain the Hon Tom Coke was

in attendance.
His Royal Highness this evening attended a Classic FM Con-

Thomas Coram Foundation. Commander Roger Walker RN

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE RICHMOND PARK

December 2: Princess Alexandra

and the Hon Sir Angus Oglivy this

evening attended the 40th Annual Ball of the British-American-Ca-

nadian Associates at the Grosve-nor House Hotel, London WI. Rear Admiral Sir John Garnier

Royal engagements The Queen will visit Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford, at 11.35; will visit the Oxfam Shop, Summertown, at 2.55; Oxfam House, Summertown, at 3.05; and will

visit the Imperial Cancer Research Fund Clincial Oncology Unit, Churchill Hospital, at 3.55.

The Duke of Edinburgh, as

Trustee of the National Maritime

Museum. will attend a trustess meeting and luncheon at the museum at 10.30; and as Baron

Greenwich will plant a tree in

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother will dine with the Bench-

ers at the Middle Temple at 7.45. The Princess of Wales, Patron of the English National Ballet and

the Foundation for Conductive Education, will attend the Nur-cracker Ball at the Durbar Court,

Foreign and Commonwealth Of-

The Princess Royal will re-open the

Wellcome Building, Euston Road, at 10.30; as Patron of the British

School of Osteopathy will attend

the annual degree awards cere-mony at St Martin-in-the-Fields at

3.00; and will attend the 75th

anniversary graduation reception at St James's Palace at 6.30.

ar St James's raises at 6.30.
Princess Margaret, President of
the NSPCC, will open the West
Merseyside child protection team's
new building in Wavertree,
Liverpool, at 3.00; and will attend

a gala performance of Les Miserables at the Palace Theatre,

Manchester, at 7.20 in aid of Body

The Duchess of Gloucester will

open the Federation of Army

Wives tenth annual conference at the Churchill Hall, Royal Military

The Duchess of Kent, Patron of Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund,

will attend a dinner at Guildhall at

7.45 to raise funds for the training

of overseas nurses in palliative

Academy, Sandhurst, at 9.45.

Positive North West

cancer care.

Greenwich Park at 2.35.

fice, at 8.00.

was in attendance.

The suite is a series of 100 images mainly on the subject of man and woman, and inspired by the intense relationship between Picasso and his lover Marie-Therèse Walther. It resulted from a collaboration with the Parisian dealer Ambroise Vollard

(1867-1939). Other examples in the 250edition suite have been offered at auction in recent years but failed to sell due to the overambitious aspirations of their sellers. The last record for the Vollard suite was \$275,000 in New York back in 1982.

BIRTHS: Robert Bloomfield,

von Webern, composer, Vienna, 1883: Rajendra Prasad, 1st Presi-

dent of the Republic of India 1950-63, Zeradei, Bihar, 1884.

DEATHS: Francis Xavier, miss-

ionary, Shang-ch'ua, China, 1552;

Robert Montgomery, poet, Brighton, 1855: Robert Louis Steven-

son, writer, Samoa, 1894; Mary

Baker Eddy, founder of The Church of Christ, Scientist, Chest-

nut Hill, Massachusetts, 1910;

Pierre Renoir, painter, Cagnes, France, 1919; Dame Mary Gilmore, poet, 1962, Sir Oswald

Mosley, politician, founder of the

British Union of Fascists, Paris,

Neon lighting, developed by French physicist Georges Claude, was displayed for the first time at

the Paris Motor Show. 1910.

The Duke of Edinburgh, Presi-

dent of the Royal Society for the

encouragement of Arts, Manufac-tures and Commerce, presented the society's Albert medal for 1992

to Lord Young of Dartington at a reception and dinner held yes-terday at the society's house. Mr

Michael Frye, chairman, and

members of council were the hosts.

Reception

RSA

Anniversaries

### Forthcoming marriages

Mr D.J. Chubb

poet, Honington, Suffik, 1706; Samuel Crompton, inventor of the spinning mule. Firwood, Lan-cashire, 1753; Sir Rowland Hill, and Miss HJ. Tollemache
The engagement is announced
between Lieutenant David Chubb. originator of the penny post, Kidderminster, 1795; Robert Ste-phen Hawker, poet, Stoke Damerel, Devon, 1803; Frederic The Light Dragoons, son of Com-mander and Mrs Edwin Chubb. Leighton, Baron Leighton, Presi-dent of the Royal Academy 1878of Pennaton, Devon, and Henrietta, youngest daughter of Sir Lyonel and Lady Tollemache, of Buckminster Park, Grantham. 96, Scarborough, Yorkshire, 1830: Joseph Conrad, novelist, Berdichev, Russia, 1857: Anton Mr S. Hall

and Miss N.H.E. Burton The engagement is announced between Stuart, only son of Mr and Mrs G.F. Hall, of Hexham. Northumberland, and Nancy youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Burton, of Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire.

Mr S.M. Hardy and Miss A.S. For The engagement is announced between Simon, son of Mr and Mrs David Hardy, of Woking. Surrey, and Arabella, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs John Fox, of Wimbledon. Mr M.J.P. Horlock

and Miss S.C. Afkinson The engagement is announced between Mark, younger son of Mr and Mrs Patrick Horlock, of Tendring, Essex, and Sophia. daughter of Mr Anthony Atkin-son, of Burghfield, Berkshire, and Mrs Olivia Dunlap, of Kensington, London. Mr M.L. Phillipson

and Miss A.J. Hearth The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Mr Lawrence Phillipson, of Haywards Heath, and Mrs Marcia Williams. of St Martins, Cornwall, and Amanda Jane, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Hearth, of Beauchamp, Kibworth Leicestershire.

### School news

Sculpteur et modèle agénouillée, one of a set of 100 Picasso prints sold by Christie's for £660,000

Mariborough College The Council of Mariborough College have appointed Mr Edward Gould, the Headmaster of Felsted School, to be the next Master of Mariborough College in succession to Mr Dand Cope when he retires in August 1993.

### Elections

The Royal Society President Sir Michael Anyah; Treasurer: Professor John Horlock, former Vice-Chancellor of the Open University; Biological Secretary: Sir Brian Follett; Phys-ical Secretary: Sir Francis Graham-Smirn: Foreign Secretary: Dr A.L. McLaren.

### **Appointments**

Mrs Justice Smith. QC, to be a Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire on her appointment as a Justice of the High Court.

Mr Nige! John Graham Howarth to be a Circuit Judge on the Northern Circuit. Mr Emyr Owen Parry to be a District judge at the Bangor group of county courts and the District Registr of the High Court at Banger, Caernarion and Rhyl.

### The Times

A new crossword book is published today by Times Books. The Times has published a jumbo concise crossword every bank holiday since Whasan 1983. This is the first collection in book form and contains 35 puzzles. It is available from bookshops at £4.99.

# Dinner Alan R Hirsig, Sir Derek Hornby, Mr Michael Horian, Air Robert Horian, Sir John Roskyns, Sir David Hunt. Lord Hunt of Tanworth, the Hon Douglas Hurd. Mr. Mr Bernardiaks Husses, Sir Robin 1098, Sir Bernard Ingham, Mr Bobin Jarvain, Lord Jenkins of Hillhead, Sir Philin Jones, Mr Romald F Jones, Lord Joseph, Ch. Mr Liam Rane, Mr Arnold Keup, Mr Charles Rennedy, Mr. Mr Ludwic Kennedy, Mr Geoffrey Kenl, Mr Neville Labovich, Mr Ian Lang, Mr. Sir Geoffrey Leigh, Mr Maryn Lwis, Mr Peter I Liley, Mr P. Mr Ludwic Kennedy, Mr Geoffrey, Leigh, Mr Maryn Lwis, Mr Peter I Liley, Mr N. Mr Ian G. McAllisser, Lord McAlpine of West Green, Lord McCarthy, Sir Massadid of Gorine, Mr McChael, Michael Michael, Mr. Sir Robert Meganier, Mr McChael Michael, Mr. McChael, Mr. Gurs O'Donnell, Lieuzens-Colonel, Scan O'Donnell, Lieuzens-Colonel, Scan O'Donnell, Lieuzens-Colonel, Scan O'Donnell, Lieuzens-Colonel, Scan O'Donnell, Mr. Arecke

Mr Lod Cook A dinner was given last night by Mr Lod Cook, Chairman of ARCO, at Claridge's. The guests of honour were President Richard Nixon and President Ronald Reagan. Other guests were:

of Germany, the Ambassador of Norway, the Ambassador of Besto. (Ne Ambassador of Gesto.) (Ne Ambassador of China, the Ambassador of China. (Ne Ambassador of China. (Ne Commonwesia) Secretary-General. (Ne Ambassador of China. (Ne Commonwesia) Ambassador (Ne Ambassador of China. (Ne Commonwesia) Ambassador (Ne Ambassador of China. (Ne Commonwesia) Secretary (Ne Ambassador of China. (Ne China

Clais Moser, the Hoto Count manymann, Mr Stephen Mut. Sir Pitrick Nell. QC. Sir Bryan Nicholson. the Hoto Gerard Neel. Mr Cartion Norths. Sir Mardin Neurse. Lord Ochsey. Mr Ger O'Donnell. Heatenan-Colonel Sean O'Dwyer. Mr Jack Oppasser, Mr Peter F Orchard. Sir David Orr. Lord Patumbo. Mr Alecko Papamarkou. Mr Geoffrey Parkhouse. Lord Parkinson, Mr Rupern Fernant-Rea. Mr Michael Portillo. MP. Mr Maurice Taylor, Sir Charles Powell. AmtussSador Charles H Price II. Sir Michael Quintan. Mr Michael Redimition. Lord Rees-Mogg. Dr George B Richardson, Lord Rees-Mogg. Dr George B Richardson, the Duke of Richmond and Gordon. Sir John Riddell, Mr Terry Robinson. Mr Gerard Rosson, Mr Kerneth Roe. Lord Roskill. QC. Sir David Roswe-Ham. Mr Rederick J Ryan. Jr. Mr Richard Ryder, MP. Lord Sainsbury of Presson Candover. Lord St. John of Fawley, Mr Guy Saller. Commander I M M Saunders Watson. Mr Nicholas Som, MP. Lord Shackteion. MG. Lord Shawcross. QC. Mr Michael Shea. Sir Parket Sheehy, Mr James B Shewood. Mr Peter Shore, Mr James B Shewood. Mr Peter Shore, Mr Michael Spicer. MP. Mr Edward Streator. Mr Lord Matchan. Sir David Walker. Mr Jim Wallace. MP. Sir Douglas Wass. Mr Less Wars. Mr Richard M. Leobt. Lord Weistendeld. Evrd Weiststock. Mr Prev Westmanott. Lord Weistschan Mr Lord Walker. Mr Jipel Winser. Lord Windleshan. Mr Norman Wills. Lord Windleshan. Mr Norman Wills. Lord Windleshan. Mr Norman Wills. Lord Winstock. Mr Peter Westmanott. Lord Weistschard M L Webb. Lord Winston. Dr Robert Woof. Mr Will Wan. Mr Robert E Wycoff. Sir George Young. Mr P. end Lord Younger of Preswick. MP. Sir Paul Fox. Sir Alistair Frame. Sir Christopher France. Lord Feaser of Carrisylle, QC. Sir Pener Globings, Lord Justice Gibson. Lieumenan-Colome Sir Mazin Gilliat. Lord Genarrhur. General Sir James Glover. Mr Alan Goldman, Mr Bryan Gould, MP. Lord Greenhill of Harrow. Mr Rupert Grey. Sir Ronald Grierson. Mr John Gommer. MF, Geperal Sir John Hackett, Lord Hallsham of St Marylebone. KG. GH. Sir Ronald Halstead, Mr Rupert Hambro, Mr Nell Harrisel. Lord Halstead, Mr Rupert Hambro, Mr Nell Harrisell. Dr John Hayes. Sir Denys Henderson. Str Nicholas Henderson. Mr

### Buckingham Palace luncheon

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh yesterday held a luncheon party at Buckingham Pal-

cheon party at Buckingham Pal-ace. The guests were:

Mrs Stella Rimington (Director General of the Security Service).

Professor Carol Seymour (Professor of Clinical Blochemistry and Mena-bolism. St George's Haspital Medical School). Mr Linford Christie (captain. British Olympic Team). Sir Christopher France (Permanent Under-Secretary of State. Ministry of Defence). Sir John Hall (chaltman. Cameron Hell Developments). Sir Derek Hornby (chaltman., British Overseas Trade Board). Sir Bryan Nicholson (chaltman., Post Office) and Mr Graham Taylor (England Football Team Manager).

### Luncheon

Royal Institution of Chartered

The Hon Peter Brooke, CH. Secretary of State for National Heritage, was the guest of honour at a luncheon given yesterday at 12' Great George Street by Mr Christopher Jones. President of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.

### Service dinner

RNR Officers' Dining Club Mr Michael L. Carpenter was the principal guest at the annual dinner of the RNR Officers' Dining Club. formerly the RNR Officers' (London) Club, held last night on board HMS President. Captain F. Ashe Lincoln. QC. president, was in the chair.

### Birthdays today

The Marquess of Ailsa, 67: Mr Walter Anderson, trades unionist. 82; Mr Trevor Bailey, cricketer. 69: Mr Ralph Bennett, former chairman London Transport Executive, 69; Profesor lan Butterworth, former principal, Queen Mary and Westfield College, 62: Mr Charles Craig, tenor. 72,

Mr Mike Gibson, rugby player. So: M Jean-Luc Godard, film director. 62: Sir William Harpham, diplomat, 86; Mr Max-well Hutchinson, former presi-dent, Royal Institute of British Architects, 44; Sir Brian Jenkins. former Lord Mayor of London, 57; Professor G.S. Kirk, former professor of Greek, 71; Mr Franz Klammer, skier, 39: Miss Tanya Moiseiwitsch, theatrical designer,

The Rev Professor C.F.D. Moule. theologian, 84: Mr Paul Nicholas, singer and actor. 47: Mr Victor Pasmore, CH, artist, 84; Mr Robert Phillis, chief executive, ITN, 47; Mr Mel Smith, actor and comedian, 40; Professor P. Toyne. rector. Liverpool John Moores University, 53; Mr Andy Williams, singer. 62; Mrs K.M.I. Wilson. former chairman, Equal Opportunities Commission for Northern Ireland, 72.

### Eton dinner

yttelton's The Lyttelton Club dinner was

held last night at Brooks's. Among neig last night at Brooks's. Among those present were: Brigadler R J McGarel Groves. Mr P B Johnsen, correct Mr J C L Jenkinson, Mr A I Gelkie Cobb and Mr B N Gibbs.

### TEL: 071 481 4000

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BIRTHS	
BIRKEY - On 28th November 1992 at The Princes Margaret Hospital, Windsor, to Linda (née Brooker) and Guy, the blessing of a son. Alastair Francis Brooker, a brother for Dominic, GOOPER - On November	
30th, to Sarah (née Godden) and Julian, a daughter, Che Anastasia Alice.	
DARGAM - On November 27th at The Portland Hospital. to Kyle toke Consoy) and Alam. a wunderful son. Pierce, a brother for Garrett and Finley.	
de STEIGER - On November 29th 1992, at Princess Margaret Hospital, to Amands and Richard, a son, Justin Noel, a brother for Nicholas.	
GARRIER - On December 1st in Whichester, to Katy (note Slather) and Peter, a daughter Elizabeth Alison Clare. GROB - On November 13th, to Louise Hunt and David. a	•
son, William.  HALLIDAY - Lesley Amsworth and David Halliday are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter Jessica Frances Kay on 23rd	
November 1992.  LOH - On December 1st, at The Portland Hospital, to Triva and Chin Hue, a bouncing baby boy, Samuel.	H
NOLAN - On November 21st 1992, at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Adeline and Michael, a son, Feltx Wei An, a brother for Hugh and Min.	
PROBERT - On November 26th, to Catherine (née Adem) and Nicholas, a precious daughter, German Louise Catherine.	

SEDGWICK-DWANE - On SEDIGWICK-DWARE - On November 28th, to Carey and Nell. a wonderful daughter, Charlotte Carey. SULLIVAN - On November 30th, to Victoria (née Macdonaid) and Mark, twin sons. Rocy Oliver and Lewis Jack. MARRIAGES

FERGUSON: SALDWIN - Mr Robert Faysson and Dr. Sally Beldwin married in Hong Kong on November 21st. **GOLDEN** ANNIVERSARIES ROSS-HIME:CRAMPTON -On 3rd December 1942 in Stornoway. Teddy to Betty. Orchard Cottage. East Mailing. Kent ME19 6AP. LAITY - On November 30th, suddenly at home in Hexham, aged 55 years, Mel, beloved husband of the late Claire. Funeral Newcastle West Road Crematorism on Monday December 7th at 11.50 am.

We are fellow-workers in God's service; and you God's sarvice; and you God's garden. Or. apain, you are God's building.

1 Cortstitutions 3: 9,10 (REB) GATENOUSE - Michael, aged
73 years, on 28th November peacefully. Beloved husband of Hilary. loving father of June and Porn (Jeremy). Grandfather of Tomas. Funeral on 10th December at Chichester Crematorium. 12 moon. No flowers, donations if wished to The Royal Star & Garler Home. Richmond. Surrey. TW10 GRR.
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MANY - On November 20th, peacefully at St. Peter & St. James Home & Hospice, WiveIstleid, Sussent. Dr. Many Mitchell, aged 91 years. Widow of Percy May and greatly beloved by Norman, None, Christopher, Martin and Else and dear friend of Joyce. Finneral Service at St Peter's Church, Wilmington, Sussex, on Wednesday Occarber 9th at 12 none, followed by cremation at Easthourne Crematorium. Family Bowers only, donations if desired to St Peter & St James Hospice C/o R.A. Brooks & Son, 35 WiveInfield Road, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, Irl: (0444) 454391. GREGORY - On November 27th, Patrick George Murray, aged 72 years, peacefully in hospital in Worthing, formerly of Richmond, Surrey. Funetal at Worthing Crematorium on December 4th at 10 am. Family flowers only if desired detailors to British Heart & Lung Foundation.

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### **OBITUARIES**

Jorge Donn, for almost 30 years Maurice Béjart's leading dancer, died in Lausanne on November 30 aged 45, after an Aids-related illness. He was born in Buenos Aires on February 28, 1947

JORGE Donn made himself a career as the perfect instrument for one of the most remarkable and original choreographers of our time. He had innumerable roles created for him in the ballets of Maurice Bejart, but the one for which he is perhaps most widely known and vividly remembered was actually created for a woman: the dancer on the table in Bolero.

When Bejart adapted and re-staged this for an all-male cast. Donn seized the simple steps and made of them a paean of mounting ecstasy to the maddeningly insistent repetitions of Ravel's music. Caught in a spotlight, he undulated, twisted, writhed; his face and his bare chest glowed moist in the heat; and when he leapt and turned in the air, a shower of golden sweatdrops hung every time like a halo about his head. It was dance as unashamed sexual display, and it held huge audiences spellbound wherever he performed it

Most of Donn's roles called for a more subtle use of his unique personality and theatrical grasp. There was a curious innocence about him, on which Béjart drew when making his long, complex Nijinsky clown de Dieu. Individual aspects of Nijinsky, in his most famous roles, were depicted by four other members of the amazingly strong Ballet of the Twentieth Century, but it was Donn as the essential man who stood at the heart of the collage. holding it together by his playing as the slave of Diaghilev in the first half and as the clown of God in the second.

His range ran from the austere pure dance demands of the Webern Opus 5 to the almost entirely acting part of the detective, hands in raincoat pocket, slouch hat pulled down over his face, who prowled sardonically through the burlesque murder mysteries of Le Concours. The sustained soaring entries of Golestan and the romanticism of Ce que l'amour me dit marked further aspects of his artistry. He also filled such Béjart standard works as The Firebird and The Rite of Spring

### JORGE DONN



with his own integrity and power. Wholeheartedness, sincerity and a gripping stage presence did even more than physical power and the soft voluptuousness of movement to give Donn's performances their unique quality. Béjart himself wrote that he first cast the young Donn in the main duet of his Berlioz Roméo et Juliette for the sake of the fearful emotion the inexperienced dancer brought to it.

Offstage, Donn's shy, reticent personality did not stop him earning a name for himself, while still a raw recruit, as an exceptionally clever and lucky gambler at card games. But his theatrical skill seemed to develop largely by instinct as he thought and

imagined himself, from one performance to the next, into the characters he played.

Donn had been only 16 and studying dance at the ballet school of the Teatro Colón in Buenos Aires when Bejart's Ballet of the Twentieth Century played there in 1963 as part of its first tour outside Europe. Donn came backstage after a performance and begged permission to take class with the company the next morning. When the class was over, he waited behind until Béjart was free and asked to be allowed to join the company. He had to be told there were no vacancies and that he was too young anyway. That did not stop Donn from

LIONEL SHREIR

borrowing from an uncle the one-way fare to Europe on a ship that was making its last transatlantic voyage before being sent to the scrapyard. Looking, in Béjart's description, like one of Picasso's drawings of timorous young acrobats, he arrived backstage at the Theatre Royal de la Monnaie in Brussels when the Twentieth Century Ballet reassembled after its holidays Taken by the boy's earnest and obvious passion for dance (and seeing some resemblance to himself when young), Bejart let him hang around the company until his chance came when another dancer was injured and Donn made up the numbers in Rite of Spring. Even then he nearly muffed his opportunity through proving too weak to lift and carry his partner, but before long he became a remarkable soloist and rapidly proved the star quality that never deserted him.

The career was not without its tempests and upsets, including a time when Donn (who had been a child actor in Buenos Aires, and was nearly electrocuted while being flown on a wire as Puck) left for a while to try to establish an acting career in Paris. And the experiment of appointing him as artistic director of the Twentieth Century Ballet while Béiart was temporarily disenchanted did not last long. Nevertheless, his work was almost entirely as a dancer for and with Béjart, and his pre-eminence, sustained over three decades, was a great achievement in a company which never lacked choice from many highly-gifted male dancers. Donn also worked, at Marcia Haydee's invitation, as guest star with the Stuttgart Ballet. He appeared with New York City Ballet to partner Suzanne Farrell in Balanchine's Vienna Waltzes and with the Bolshoi, partnering Maya Plisetskaya.

Donn's last appearances on stage were in the summer of this year. dancing Béjart's Mahler Adagietto in Lausanne to great acclaim, and, finally, a single performance of Bolero in a festival at Sceaux. He had plans next for a wide-ranging tour with Marcia Haydee in a revival of a two-handed acting and dancing show about Nijinsky which Béjart had directed for him, but his illness grew rapidly worse and he remained in Lausanne,, visited by many friends from the world of ballet.

### MAJOR WILLIAM TEMPLE

Major William Vere Temple. MC. who was decorated for gallantry during the second work war in Greece, has died aged 71. He was born on March 5, 1921.

BILL Temple won his Military Cross for helping to slow down the German blitzkrieg through Greece 51 years ago. While second-in-command of a troop of the 3rd (Cheshire) Field Squadron, Royal Engineers, he blew up bridges behind the 1st Armoured Brigade as it fell back from the Yugoslav border region.
At one point he found himself operating at Ther-

mopylae whose strategic importance was equally evident in 480 BC, when 300 Spartans under Leonidas held up 100,000 advancing Persians. allowing the main Greek army to escape, at the price of their own total destruction - a piece of valour and self sacrifice which has been immortalised in Simonides's famous epitaph on the fallen. Temple, who appreciated the symbolism, wryly questioned in later years how the Spartans might have coped with Stuka divebombers.

The troop carried its explosives in railway wagons, con-cealing delayed action fuses in the wrecked bridges and thereby hampering the enemy's efforts to repair them. Although desperately short of air cover, the wagons, luckily, escaped being hit

The Sappers followed the allied evacuation from Greece shortly before the Germans entered Athens on April 27, 1941. After more action in Crete they were taken by destroyer to North Africa. Temple, although only just 20, was now among the most seasoned demolition specialists in the region. His application to join the newly formed Special Air Service was therefore turned down, because the army needed him on Operation Crusader, the offensive launched against Rommel by General Auchinleck.

The operation nearly cost him his life when Rommel counter-attacked. Temple and his men were cratering a road near Benghazi in early 1942. behind the retreating 4th Indian division, when they found themselves trapped by a force of German armour. In the ensuing fire-fight Temple was seriously wounded in the

leg.
The wound turned septic. But a delirious Temple was sent to an Italian field ambulance unit which, by good

fortune, mistook him for a German officer and transferred him to a military hospital in Germany. The tal in Germany. The treatment he received there saved his life.

Moreover his injuries were severe enough for him to be repatriated through Sweden in the following year. He was first re-hospitalised on his return, then transferred to MII6, a technical branch of military intelligence, and sent to Washington to help assess the transfer of wartime technology from Germany to Japan. There he met his future wife Barbara, who had been repatriated from Japan, where she had been working before the war as social secretary to the British ambassador. Then a young widow, she was attached to the Japanese section of MI6 in the British embassy (and was later to work under Kim Philby in

Still only 24 when the war ended, Bill Temple had followed in a fine family tradition. His father, whose family had originated in Co Monaghan, Ireland, had been a lieutenant-general in the Royal Marines, while his grandfa-ther had won a VC in 1863 while serving as an assistant staff surgeon in New Zealand's so-called Land Wars (the Maori revolts against the sale of their land to European

London).

William Temple was born

in Portsmouth and educated at Wellington and the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, where his intake was the last before "the Shop" was closed for the war -- never to re-open.

After the war he went to the Royal Military College of Science, Shrivenham, where he took an engineering degree. He then joined the Weapons Development Executive, first at a naval and military research establishment in Teddington, then in Australia where he worked for two years at Woomera on rocket development, including that of the ill-fated Blue Streak.

Temple, who walked with a limp after being wounded. was invalided out of the army in 1956 and became head of research at the Manchesterbased engineering firm Mather and Platt. He was a Commissioner of Taxes and also worked for the Soldiers' Sailors and Airmen's Families Association (SSAFA), the Brit-

ish Legion and the Church. Bill Temple was a soldier "of the old school", full of honour. but had also inherited a keen Irish sense of humour. Though he wore a monocle (he was hit in the eye by a tennis ball while at school) this did not prevent him from being an ocean-going sailor and a fine shot who as a boy had represented Wellington at

He is survived by his wife. three daughters and a son.



Lionei Shreir, OBE. emeritus professor of metallurgy and materials. City of London Polytechnic, died on November 5 aged 77. He was born on November

LIONEL Shreir was a leading authority on the problems associated with the corrosion of metals and his two volume work *Corrosion* is a standard

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tion which has been translated into Polish and Russian. A third edition, three-volume work, is currently being pub-

lished. He was consultant on the environmental protection of the Thames Flood Barrier and did much work on the corrosion hazards in ships carrying aggressive cargoes and on North Sea oil platforms.

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study whilst working as a laboratory assistant. In 1949 he was awarded a PhD for his work on the electro-deposition of copper. During the second world war he was concerned with the development of special materials and alloys for army and air force weapons.

He began his academic

career in 1948, starting as an assistant lecturer, and was later appointed to a readership

ersity of Surrey. Following 17 years as head of metallurgy at Sir John Cass College, later City of London Polytechnic, Shreir was the recipient of first their emeritus professorship.

Having served on various professional and government committees concerned with corrosion and protection, he was made OBE in 1982 for his contributions in this field. He is survived by his

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MME. PATTI'S FAREWELL

Patti in London, which took place in the Albert-hall on Saturday afternoon, drew a large audience, though perhaps less of a crowd than might have been expected. The facts is that the same programme, so far as Mme. Patti herself was concerned, has been so often gone through that the only curiosity felt was in connexion with the number of encores she would sing after her last song, Historically the occasion was of great interest, for the close of this great singer's career marks the end of one chapter in the history of the musical development of the nation. It is unlikely that a position similar to hers will ever again be reached on the strength of so very small a repertory of operatic works and a handful of songs. In one way, no doubt, it was one of Mme. Pam's excellencies that she realized her own limitations, and knew what it would not be worth her while to attempt. Her place in music was such that it must have been

The "farewell" appearance of Mme.

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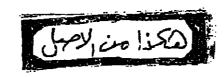
It was 45 years since Adelina Patti first at was 45 years since Adelina Pain just captivated a London audience, so it was not surprising that the music critic delicately suggested that her singing was not quite what it was. The "farewell" was in brackets because she was said to have given a furewell performance in 1895.

tempting to essay various parts relying on the indulgence of her admirers; but she resisted the temptation. Her Rosina stands out as one of the most perfect and authoritative impersonations which liv-ing opera-goers can remember; and on nearly as high a level were her Zerlina and Violetta.

Besides her wonderful success as an actress of high comedy parts and her

execution of florid passages, there was always something in the tone of her voice that was of unsurpassable effect. There was the same spontaneity, and much of the same beauty of quality, on Saturday in her singing of Tosti's "Serenata" and the hackneyed "Il Bacio". "Pur dicesti" has often been sung more finely than on Saturday but "Home, sweet home" was wonderfully fresh and even "convincing", and "Comin' through the rye" gave a final glimpse of the coquetish actress of past

After many recalls, a speech was made by one of the authorities to explain that the singer could not grant any more encores, as the warmth of her reception had overcome her. One of the "floral tributes" bestowed upon Mme. Patti carried a suggestion of actual fireworks. It consisted of a star or star-fish some 12ft in diameter, apparently composed of everlastings; at each of its seven points was an electric light, possibly emblematic of the number of notes that still retain their former beauty.



### UK ready for tough Bosnia action

E Britain, angered by the failure of existing diplomatic and trade action to halt the fighting, is adopting a tougher stance on Bosnia-Herzegovina and is ready to back limited military action to counter Serb aggression.

An international conference in Geneva on December 16, will discuss threats of military action as well as the complete economic and political isolation of the Belgrade government... ..... Pages 1, 13

### Slurry avalanche near Aberfan

■ Heavy rain which undermined a 100ft coal tip unleashed a black avalanche of slurry on to a school only six miles from the Welsh village of Aberfan, where 144 died in 1966. All 950 Tredegar pupils were at home in bed when the accident happened yesterday...

### Baby returned

The parents of an eight-day-old baby returned the child to hospital after they were told it might not be their own. Another child involved in the mix-up is staying with the couple who took it home believing it to be theirs. Blood tests will confirm the parentage of both children... .... Page 1

### **Britons held**

Three Britons are among six United Nations peacekeepers who have been kidnapped in Cambodia by the Khmer Rouge .... .. Page II

### Shipyard to close

The great Merseyside shipyard of Cammell Laird, which built the Ark Royal and the Prince of Wales, is to close next July, with the loss of about 900 jobsPage 6

### Russian fight

Yegor Gaidar, the Russian acting prime minister, found himself fighting for his own political future yesterday as well as the government's beleaguered re-

### Jobs objections

Gillian Shephard, the employment secretary, is likely to face EC criticism in Brussels today for trying to recommend policies that have caused high unemployment.... ..... Page 6

### V2 man quits

Karl Dersch, international marketing director for Deutsche Aerospace and the man who launched the embarrassing 50th up...

anniversary celebration of Hitler's V2 "wonder weapon", has .....Page 10

### Police plea

Paul Condon, who takes over as commissioner of the Metropolitan Police in February, has called on his officers to forget any notions they may have of changing society, and asked the community to adopt greater realism about what they felt police could

### **Doctors** guilty

Two police doctors, who killed a remand prisoner with excess doses of five drugs, have been convicted of manslaughter. One, Dhirendra Saha, was in hospital last night after collapsing in the dock with a suspected heart ...Page 3

### Labour options

The Labour party appears to be backing away from an internal row over its enquiry into links with the trade unions. The enquiry, set up by the leader John Smith after his election, is now likely to offer a set of options rather than a firm set of recommendations...... Page 8

### Prince's plea

The Prince of Wales, addressing a conference at Pentonville prison, has called for more help for abused children who become criminals and more research into how abuse of children might be linked to violent crime committed by them when they grow

### Bricking up Windsor Safari Park

■ The bankrupt Windsor Safari Park has been saved and its animals will be replaced by a £60 million Lego-brick theme park. The Copenhagen-based group said it had bought the park for an undisclosed sum and hoped to attract more than a million visitors a year with its idea. New nomes in Europe and America will be found for the 600 animals ... ..Page 1



Free flight: condors, hatched in the Los Angeles zoo, welcome their release at the Sespe sanctuary in the Los Padres national forest

Brighter outlook: Lord Weinstock, managing director of GEC, says he can detect "glimmers" of recovery

.... Page 21

Private profits: Littlewoods has been replaced by John Swire, the transport group that owns Cathay Pacific, as Britain's biggest private company..... .. Page 21

in the economy ...

Markets: Shares surrendered recent gains with the FT-SE 100 closing down 27.9 at 2,764.1. Sterling made further gains, rising 2.30 cents to \$1.5495 and 1.06 pfennigs to DM2.4335 ... Page 24

Golf: Nick Faldo starts as favourite to win the richest first prize in golf in the Million Dollar Challenge and Sun City in southern Africa. The field, restricted to ten players, includes the American Fred Couples, Nick Price, of Zimbabwe, Bernard Langer, of Germany, Ian Woosnam and Jose Maria Olazábal, of Spain .. . Page 36

Rugby: Gavin Hastings, who has played international rugby for Scotland since 1986, has been appointed captain of Scotland for the season. He succeeds David Sole who retired from international rugby at the end of Scotland's summer ... Page 36 tour to Australia ...

Cricket: Allan Border was fined half his match fee, around £900, for showing dissent on the final day of Australia and West Indies in Brisbane on Tuesday ...... Page 36

# Sex talk: Men may or may not

think about sex every six minutes, but someone seems to think of doing a survey about it just as irequently. Alice Thomson reports. .. Page 15

Fleet Street: Viscount Camrose "showed that one could be a Press Lord and a gentleman", while William Rees-Mogg's collected pieces prove that Establishment Man can be radical. .. Page 32

New Fiction: The Furies, a marvellous posthumous novel by Janet Hobhcuse; Leviathan by the American star Paul Auster; and Death in Rome by the German writer Wolfgang Koeppen ... .Page 33

Peril for Meryl: In her new film, Death Becomes Her. Meryl Streep is the target of some unflattering special effects...

Ghouls on the track: A whiskery old melodrama, The Ghost Train, has been revived at the Lyric Hammersmith, with Bill Oddie leading .. Page 30 the cast...

Booker Prize, Moscow: Six of Russia's finest contemporary writers are up for the first ever Russian Booker Prize, worth £10,000. Is there a new Tolstoy among .. Page 31

Unpublished Smith: "She got up and went away", a poem by Stevie Smith, is published for the first time today...

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## Final word: In the last of his series

of three articles, Michael Shea, the Queen's former press secretary. suggests that the crucial factor, now that most of the costs of the younger members of the royal family will be reimbursed to the Treasury, will be whether they will be left to sort out their problems in peace".. Page 14

Significant departure: Anglo-Jewry has found the perfect figurehead to lead its fight against neo-fascism and anti-Semitism in Europe. To the surprise and delight of the Jewish community, Lord Rothschild. has agreed to become president of the Institute of Jewish Affairs, the leading Jewish research body out-. Page 31 | side Israel .



Helmut Kohl, warning Europe that unration could lead to has called for a common policy Page 10

**THURSDAY DECEMBER 3 1992** 

In a provocative documentary about wife battering and child abuse, barrister Elizabeth Woodcraft argues that families may be better off without fathers. Critical Eye (Channel 4, 9pm) ..... Page 39

### Long distance debate

The Maastricht marathon has just begun. Runners jostled a little for position on the starting line but, once the gun was fired, they set off at a brisk pace...

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### Russian reform

The Congress of People's Deputies in Moscow this week has been billed as a fight to the death between the pro-Western democratic reformers and the reactionary representatives of the "military industrial complex" .....

### Dark blues

Oxford's notoriety as a city of death is part of its myth, a caricature founded on superstition as much as

### VERNON BOGDANOR

No one disputes the seriousness of the charges being investigated, declared Michael Heseltine of the Matrix Churchill affair in the House of Commons on November 23. It is in everyone's interest, not least that of the ministers concerned, that these allegations be dealt with speedily and effectively. How should this best be done?

### PHILIP HOWARD

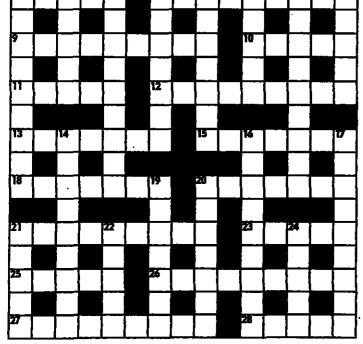
Winston Churchill, splendidly idiosyncratic pronouncer of Nazi and Goebbels and other names of scorn, declared: "Everyone has a right to pronounce foreign names as he chooses." The same right must be extended to foreigners mispronouncing English names such as Featherstonehaugh, and even Scottish names.

The calculator tests for 7-year-olds which have stumped our adult readers are answered and explained. ... Page 17

A word of cheer is in order for Hong Kong's governor, Chris Patten, who may feel by now that his moderate plan for democratic reform in Hong Kong has brought the end of the world down upon the British Crown Colony. Our view is that it makes more sense to try to equip Hong Kong with some modhand it over uninsulated

The Wall Street Journal

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### **ACROSS**

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- beaten (5). 12 You can hear his patter on the boards (3-6).
- 13 Chap who will, say, drain what's eft in glass (7).
- 15 Few men remain for this last bit of the match (3-4).
- 18 Record by US writer and sculp-
- 20 A pirate ship, moreover (7). 21 Spy a copper god of such weight (9).
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- terial (9). 17 Duck below the duvet (9). 19 Nothing to do with the organ of a
- large flower (7).

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- gunners (7).
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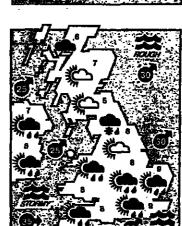
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Yorkshire Water is surviving the recession hetter than most of its peers, lifting interim profits by 12 per cent Pages 23 and 24

PEOPLE POWER



The balance of power has switched from company directors to shareholders, says Robert Bruce Page 28

# **THURSDAY DECEMBER 3 1992** Weinstock sees signs of hope for economy

THE rate of job-shedding at the General Electric Company is slowing sharply, and Lord Weinstock, the managing director, says he can detect "glimmers" of recov-ery in the recession-ravaged

economy.

He said: "One can't see green shoots or blue shoots or any particular colour of shoots. but there are a few tremors in this unyielding surface of re-

His comments came as GEC unveiled a 12 per cent rise to £1 1.9 billion in its order book in the past six months, as well as plans to create a division using the company's legendary cash pile to lease railway rolling stock and other capital equipment.

The company hopes to take advantage of measures unveiled by Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, in his Autumn Statement to enable more private financing of infrastruc-

The improvement in the business outlook, described with typical caution by Lord Weinstock, may signal the approach of a long-awaited turning point in the economy.

Although GEC's biggest businesses are in railway, pow-er generation and telecommunications equipment, the diversity of its activities and markets gives its directors a clear view of what is happening in the economy.

seen no cause for hope last spring, when many commentators believed the British economy was poised for recovery. "Now, the horizon is more hopeful," he said.

One cause for optimism was the recovery gathering pace in the American economy. GEC is an international business selling nearly two-thirds of its £8.5 billion a year output

An increase in GEC's order book and a slowdown in the rate of job cuts leads chairman Lord Weinstock to detect if not green shoots then just a glimmer of recovery

overseas. However, in his statement for the half year to the end of September, Lord Prior, GEC's chairman, said:
"The devaluation of sterling and the recently announced improvements to ECGD cover and conditions will help in our drive to win vital overseas orders against international

competition." He added: "Recent reductions in interest rates and proposals announced by the government for private financing of capital projects should provide an impetus for growth in some areas, and also create

GEC has ridden out the recession better than most companies. In the first half, pre-tax profits rose 2.3 per cent to £356 million. But pressure for efficiency improvements has combined with technological advances to



Weinstock: "more hopeful"

the past two years. GEC has wide by 23,000, but in the six months to September, num-bers fell 4,500 to 143,500. In the second half, the number will be lower still.

Lord Weinstock said: "We don't think we are going to have to cut down much more. The rate of running down is running down, and I would hope it would stop."
With 40 per cent of GEC's

business now in international joint ventures, its order book is already benefiting from rising infrastructure spending around the world. The creation of a leasing company to form a fourth leg is partly intended to capitalise on an expected upswing in Britain. GEC's American peer, General Electric, already has a substantial leasing operation. However, GEC is also securing important civil contracts at its defence business, GEC Marconi, and has developed a video telephone that will sell for £399, one-tenth the cost of

those of its rivals. GEC shares fell 9p to 263p as several City electricals anasts downgraded their fullyear forecasts to about £840 million. Analysts had underestimated GEC's spending on research and development. The half-year dividend rose

from 2.55p to 2.68p. GEC's cash pile grew £265 million to £1.06 billion, and cash held in joint ventures rose £142 million to £733 million.

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# Bright outlook: Gerry Robinson, chief executive, was pleased with the progress made by all the group's divisions

# to £130m

Granada

shoots

SHARES in Granada Group jumped 8 per cent to 334p after the television to motorway services group reported a tax profits to £130 million. Alex Bernstein, chairman, described the performance as "excellent" and said it had been achieved "without any

help at all from the economy". Gerry Robinson, who joined as chief executive a year ago, said it was pleasing that all the group's businesses had reported higher profits. The final dividend rises 10 per cent

to 4.95p (4.5p) to make a total of 7.7p (7p).

The biggest improvement came from Granada's ITV subsidiary, which reported a 50 per increase in operating profits to £33 million. But that figure was enhanced by a £6 million reduction in the exchequer levy, said Mr Robinson. From next year, as one of the successful ITV franchise bid-

ders. Granada will be paying the government £9 million annually plus 1 l per cent of its advertising revenue. Mr Robinson said he expected total levy costs to be higher next year under the new system, while Mr Bernstein expressed great confidence in Granada's investment in British Sky Broadcasting, the satellite television venture in which News International, publisher of The Times, has a large stake.

There is no provision for a legal dispute with Customs and Excise over alleged non-payment of VAT on service insurance arrangements on rental products. More than £20 million is disputed.

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# Bass serves up improved profits

By COLIN CAMPBELL

BASS, the brewing, Holiday Inn and Coral racing group, is considering opportunities to expand its brewing interests overseas, Ian Prosser, chairman and chief executive, said after reporting higher 1992 year-end profits.

The group had fully plied with the earlier government order concerning pub disposals, and was now better able to concentrate on business growth and fresh oppor-

tunities, he said. Bass reported pre-tax profits of £501 million for the year ended September compared with £430 million previously. and raised the year's total dividend from 17.8p to 18.9p a share. Profits were struck after a £75 million (£55 million) exceptional charge to cover a fundamental restructuring of the business. No further related charges are anticipated, Bass said.

The Holiday Inn chain proved resilient with a 14 per cent improvement in dollar operating profits. During 1993, Bass expects to spend £200 million on the further development of the chain.

Bingo activities held up well in a difficult environment, but amusement machine manufacturing operations and racing interests suffered from the recession. Operating profit from the company's brewing business was 13.5 per cent higher at £210 million. Bass

announced a £496 million property write-down to reflect lower property values and a slimmed-down portfolio.

Mr Prosser said that Bass was experiencing tough trading conditions, although the government's determination to get the British economy on the move, and the prospect of a stronger American economy, should have positive implications for the current

financial year. Bass emphasised that any improvement was likely to come later rather than sooner, but said it was well placed to benefit from any general economic upturn.

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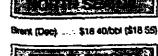
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# **Electricity shops on trial**

By MARTIN WALLER, DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

THE fate of 700 jobs at the retailing arm of London Electricity will be decided after the new year and will depend on how well the shops perform in Christmas trading.
London has been extensive-

ly revamping its retail interests, but admits that they are still being badly hurt by the recession. The company is now in the last of three years of restructuring. "The structure we have put in place has given us the flexibility and scope to make a clear decision about the future direction of this business," said John Wilson, the chairman. "That decision will be made by the end of the

financial year."

The businesses lost about £4 million in the first half to end-September, roughly the same as the previous year despite heavy investment. The chanwould appear slim, given the amount of boarded-up space on Britain's high streets. Rog-er Urwin, the chief executive, commented: "Inevitably, at the end of the road closure is an option, but only one

The decision will not be taken until after Christmas and the result of trading would be a critical factor, he said. The business has 94 stores spread across and around the capital, of which 66 have been opened since privatisation in 1990. Of these, 48 are franchises within branches of Debenhams de-

partment stores. London made pre-tax profits of E17.3 million. up from E14.5 million, in the six months to end-September. The interim dividend is raised from 5.0p to 5.6p. Its retail ces of finding a buyer, if arm is the second subsidiary of one of the 12 privatised elecarm is the second subsidiary of

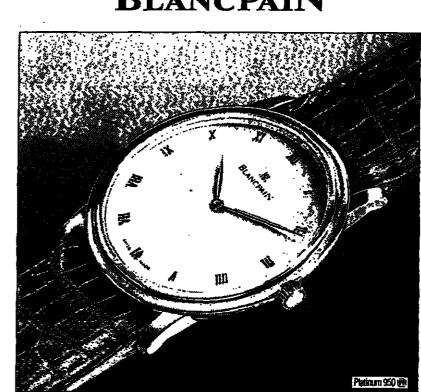
tricity distributors in England and Wales to come under a possible death sentence this week. On Tuesday, Norweb threatened to close its contracting arm, with the loss of 650 jobs, if agreement on cost and ob cuts cannot be reached

with the trade unions. London's retail business is competing in the South East with a joint venture set up by three of its neighbours, Southern, Eastern and Midlands, which have clubbed together to take on the big electrical retailers. That venture has drawn criticism from the lat-ter, principally Dixons, which has claimed unfair competition and alleged that the electricity companies are sup-porting their loss-making shops with profits from their lucrative core distribution

business.

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By ANGELA MACKAY THE "yacht people" have arrived in the City. For the first time in a long while, Littlewoods has been pushed aside as Britain's biggest private company to be replaced by John Swire & Sons, the former Hong Kong transport group that owns Cathay Pacific.

Swire's move into the ascendancy from 26th place last year follows a restructuring that relocated most of its business from Hong Kong to London in the run-up to the colony reverting to Chinese rule in 1997. At £5.2 billion, the group's net tangible assets dwarf Littlewoods, which

stand at £834 million. According to a survey by Jordans, the research group, entitled Britain's top privately owned companies 1992, Swire is also the most profitable, reporting pre-tax profits of £430 million last year compared with Littlewoods' £97 million. Jordans' annual survey of 2,000 pri-

vate companies shows that the small

family business has suffered the most in

the recession which has helped average

pre-tax profits to decline by almost 14

While hardly a small family business. Brei Group, the rolling stock manufacturer, experienced the most sturning reversal of fortune with pre-tax profits plummeting from £22.4 million to a loss of £41.3 million making Brei number one in the league table of those companies that showed the greatest decrease in

Indeed, one in ten companies in last year's top 2,000 have either been taken over or run into financial difficulty while of the biggest 500 companies in this

HK exile is UK's top private firm year's survey, almost one in five showed a loss at post-tax level in their latest

financial year.

It is difficult to locate recession-proof industries from the survey. However, those engaged in the production of drilling fluids and musicals are doing. well. The most profitable company based on return of assets is BW Mud. a supplier of drilling and completion fluids, which can boast profits eight times higher than its assets of £201,000.

Britain's two most successful impresa-rios, Cameron Macintosh and Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber, came tenth and twelfth in terms of profit margins.

Their companies, Cameron Macintosh Ltd and Really Useful Holdings, showed rapid growth and corresponding progess in profits. Mr Macintosh, producer of the world-

wide blockbusters Cats and Les Miserables saw his sales double to £22 million in two years and pre-tax profits rise by 50 per cent to £6.7 million. Sir Andrew actually came 24th in terms of pre-tax profits with £13 million in 1991.

# BT rings the changes on prices for next year

BT estimates 70 per cent of residential customers will see a real reduction in telephone bills, with further cuts promised by July 1 to meet a tougher price regime

By Patricia Tehan

tor services.

BT is to freeze the cost of all direct-dialled calls for a year from January, but rental charges will increase by 10p a week. Oftel, BT's regulator, said further price cuts are needed if the telephone giant is to meet its regulatory

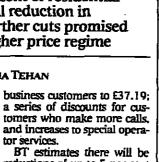
requirements. BT flagged the price changes, which are combined with a series of discount schemes for higher users, as giving customers a wider choice and better value for

Michael Hepher, BT's group managing director, said 70 per cent of BT's 20 million residential customers will see a real reduction in their bills.

However, Bill Wiggles-worth, director general of telecommunications, said BT has only managed to achieve a reduction of 0.1 per cent. across the basket of services covered by its price control formula, and will have to reduce its prices in a basket of services by 2.1 per cent before the current price control year ends on July 31, 1993.

The formula obliges BT to cut its prices in a basket of services by inflation minus 6.25 per cent this year. The formula gets tougher next year when BT will be forced to cut prices by inflation minus 7.5 per cent. BT said it will meet this with further price reduc-

tions by July 1. The main points of yester-day's price changes, aimed at encouraging greater phone use, include a freeze on UK and international direct-dialled calls; a cut in the cost of daytime weekday calls to the US and Canada: a freeze on connection charges; a £1.26 increase in line rental to £22.96 for residential customers and a £2.05 increase for



reductions of up to 5 per cent for those who use the phone the most, and up to 3 per cent for the top end of the residential market. It said the worstcase scenario under the changes will be the increase in rental charges.
BT said yesterday that from

January two-thirds of its customers will have a choice of tariffs, compared with a quar-Residential and business customers whose bills are more than £90 a quarter will

receive an automatic 5 per cent discount on all directly dialled calls. Customers who make a lot of calls are now eligible for BT's "Option 15" discount scheme, whereby they pay £4 a

quarter and receive a 10 per cent discount. BT has also extended its other business customer option schemes. Mr Hepher admitted the changes are designed to rebalance BT's charges and are aimed at making them reflect the cost of providing services.

the fray yesterday with price cuts of its own. Mercury's frequent caller prices have been reduced, giving 5 per cent savings for residential and single-line business customers, and four new schemes plann to undercut BT's prices to business

Mercury, BT's rival, joined

But a BT spokesman said Mercury "has been caught with its trousers down and is going to have to go back and rethink".



Wheel of fortune: Michael Eisner has moved to beat planned higher taxes on options

### Disney chiefs cash in record \$250 million share options

FROM PHILIP ROBINSON IN NEW YORK

THE two senior executives of Walt Disney have cashed in a record \$253 million of personal share options to beat higher tax rates and tougher rules on options proposed by Presi-dent-elect Bill Clinton.

Michael Eisner, Walt Disney chairman and chief executive, cashed in options worth \$197 million and Frank Wells, president, \$56 million. American pay experts expect other executives to accelerate their share options to avoid higher tax payments.

The news is likely to come as a shock to holders of Euro Disney shares, which have halved since they were floated

on the stock market. Executive pay expert Graef Crystal, who helped draft the original contracts for the two in 1984, estimated that net of tax Mr Eisner will have \$118 million in cash and the value

Wells's cash and shares would be valued at about \$34 mil-

Mr Eisner, among the highest paid American executives. estimated to have saved himself almost \$12 million of taxes by cashing in the options before a 1994 deadline when they would expire. Mr Crystal estimated that

his current 40 per cent bracket for state and federal taxes would rise by about 6 per cent under Mr Clinton. But he has also saved the company money. Proposed changes in the way corporations may treat share options would limit the amount of an executive's salary that is tax-deductible to \$1

That left Disney open to paying between \$80 million to \$100 million in higher taxes if the options were exercised after this year. The move Comment, page 25 of retained shares, while Mr virtually guarantees that Mr

Eisner will return to the top of the American pay league, a post he held in 1988 when his salary and share options came to \$40 million.

Mr Crystal said: "Mr Eisner has helped the shareholder save some money, but he has also saved himself some money. So it's win-win for Eisner and the shareholders. but a big loss for the

government."

The sums are certain to reignite the row over executive compensation. In a letter to shareholders, Mr Eisner acknowledges that the issue of share options is "understandably sensitive." The letter says that Mr Eisner's personal tax bracket will be likely to increase markedly next year if expected tax reforms are

By NEIL BENNETT

BANKING CORRESPONDENT

THE newly appointed receiver of Rosehaugh, the collapsed

property company, plans a review to decide the future of

the company's 50 per cent stake in Rosehaugh Stanhope

Developments Holdings (RSDH), the joint venture that

owns the City developments at

Broadgate and Ludgate.

### **CBI** calls for a tough line over pay

BY PHILIP BASSETT

PRIVATE sector companies should take a tough line on pay, the Confederation of Brit-ish Industry said yesterday, though at the same time the CBI insisted that the government's 1.5 per cent pay limit for the public sector should not be translated into a general pay norm.

CBI leaders were instrumental in first raising the idea of a pay policy for the public sector. Howard Davies, CBI director-general, now says that the private sector ought to take advantage of the "change in expectations" over pay which the government's pay limit was bringing about, to push its own pay settlements down-

But given what he said were the differing records in public and private sector pay over recent years, with pay in-creases higher in the former, ir would not be reasonable to expect the private sector slavishly to follow the public sector model in the next year."

Speaking to the CBI in the East Midlands, he stressed the importance of low deals in the private sector: "Pay behaviour in the coming months will be crucial to our economic future. After a devaluation of 15 per cent, we have a strong competitive advantage in export markets. But history tells us that it is easy to fritter away that competitive advantage in inflationary pay rises.

"We must ensure that this time our advantage translates into more output and a rebuilding of our market share in export markets, leading to more employment rather than a temporary increase in takehome pay for those lucky enough to have a job."

Many companies, he said, had already imposed a pay freeze, and for them a rise of 1.5 per cent would be too high. But in others, where profitability had been improved, for management not to reward employees would be to put the future of their enterprises at risk.

Mr Davies insisted that the tough message to the private sector should apply across passed. In the eight years since he took over, Mr Eisner is estimated to have been paid a total of at least \$200 million.

### TT makes agreed £13m bid for AB Electronics

TT Group, the acquisitive industrial group, has made an agreed £13.3 million bid for AB Electronics, the struggling components manufacturer. The two have been in takeover talks since July when TT bought a 6 per cent stake in AB, which lost £11.2 million before tax in the year to end-June and has embarked on a disposal and cost-cutting

TT. based in Surrey, is offering AB shareholders ten new shares for every 37 AB shares already held, valuing each AB share at 50.3p. A cash alternative is worth 45.1p per share. TT is placing about 4.6 million shares with institutions to raise £7.7 million. AB shares eased 6p to 50p, while TT fell 4p to 182p. Sir Peter Phillips, chairman of AB, is joining the board of TT. He said he believed that AB would benefit from the additional stability and resources available to the larger

### Cape profits slip

CAPE, the fire protection, insulation and building products group, saw pre-tax profits slip to £6.5 million (£7.2 million) in the six months to end-September. Turnover rose to £128 million (£98 million) but a sharp fall in interest income bit into revenue and squeezed earnings per share to 8.2p (9.3p). The interim dividend is held at 3p. Operating profits held steady at £6.4 million but interest receivable fell from £796.000 to £131,000. Overseas sales accounted for 44 per cent of the total against 32 per cent for the same period last year.

### Erskine hit at halfway

A SLUMP in sales of copiers and facsimile machines in the UK and Germany has led to a disappointing first half at Erskine House, the office equipment services group. Pre-tax profits fell to £4.7 million (£6.7 million) on turnover of £87.3 million (£89.1 million) in the six months to end-September. Earnings per share were 2.5p (6.3p). There is an unchanged 2.3p interim. UK sales of new machines fell 24 per cent. while operating profits in Germany fell from £754,000 to £214,000. The shares slipped 6p to 69p.

### **Hunters Armley debut**

HUNTERS Armley, one of Britain's oldest printers whose customers include Marks and Spencer, Bardaycard and Midland Bank, will come to the market next week through a placing valued at £10.8 million. The Leeds company was formed as a management buyout from Parkway Group, the industrial mini-conglomerate, in 1990. Since the buyout, borrowings have been cut from £10 million to £3 million and profits have soared. Hunters Armley made pre-tax profits of £2.1 million (£1.3 million) in the year to end-September.

### Institutions on the up

THE role of individual investors on the London Stock Exchange shrank over the past year. The exchange's annual survey of share deals suggests that institutions accounted for 72 per cent of turnover by value, up from 66 per cent a year ago. Individual investors' share has virtually halved over a decade despite the flood of privatisation issues. The individual still dominates in terms of the number of deals done. Even there, the proportion fell from 73 per cent in 1991 to 67 per cent this time.

### Rowlinson pegs payout

ROWLINSON Securities, the property group, reported pretax profits of £515,000 (£503,000) in the six months to end-September. Earnings per share were 2.76p (2.7p). The payout is pegged at 0.24p. Sales by the development and contracting divisions rose from £1.4 million to £2.8 million. leaving overall income up at £4.4 million (£3 million), but operating profit little changed at £1.4 million (£1.5 million). A good level of commercial lettings is being achieved and a cautious acquisition programme has been resumed.

### Caffyns holds interim

CAFFYNS, the motor retailer with outlets in Sussex and Kent, is holding the interim at 5p, again uncovered by earnings, despite the prolonged recession in the car industry. In the six months to end-September pre-tax profits fell from £297,000 to £102,000 after an exceptional charge of £94,000 against branch rationalisation. Comparable profits for last year included an exceptional credit of £295,000 from property sales: Turnover eased to £61.5 million (£68.8 million). Trading profits advanced from £2,000 to £196,000.

### Alba holds dividend

DESPITE a further deterioration in trading conditions in Britain and overseas. Alba, the supplier of consumer electronics, held profits and earnings virtually unchanged in the six months to the end of September. Pre-tax profits were £1.2 million, against £1.16 million, and earnings were unchanged at 1.82p a share. The interim dividend is held at 1p. Turnover eased from £49.5 million to £45 million, reflecting the rundown of the Hinari Deutschland operation in Germany. Alba France made a maiden profits contribution.

### **Business park sold**

Slough Estates, the property group, has sold Sumons Business Park in Reading to Standard Life for £62.5 million. The sale of the park, which extends to 55 acres with buildings totalling 780,000 sq ft, is believed to be the largest disposal of a single industrial estate in the UK. Slough, whose shares rose 5p to 142p, said the deal would enable it to concentrate on developing the nearby Winnersh Triangle. Standard Life said Suttons would give it a substantial holding in the

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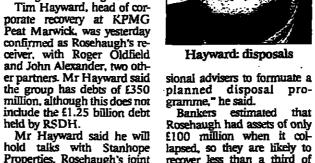
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Rosehaugh receiver to

review stake in RSDH

Mr Hayward said he will hold talks with Stanhope Properties. Rosehaugh's joint venture partner about the future of the 50 per cent stake in RSDH, which has complet-

ed a debt refinancing. Mr Hayward said he was planning to hold a review of the group's portfolio and would not force any rapid sales. "Rather than a looking for a quick sale of properties at unacceptable prices, we sl be working with our pro



sional advisers to formuate a planned disposal pro-gramme, he said. Bankers estimated that

lapsed, so they are likely to recover less than a third of their loans. Much of this is development or residential land. Mr Hayward said however

that he would try to let properties or complete developments to try to enhance their value. He said he hoped that Pelham Homes, Rosehaugh's residential subsidiary and Rosehaugh's other main

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# Fears over German support keep pressure on ERM

ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

EUROPE'S currency system remained under severe pressure yesterday amid growing fears about the Bundesbank's continued willingness to spend billions of marks bail-

ing out its weaker members. The focus of currency speculators remained squarely on the franc, which opened near to its floor in the exchange-rate mechanism, and on the Danish crown, the weakest member of the system yesterday. trading almost at its lower

The Bundesbank announced early in the day that it was intervening to support the franc, probably with the Bank of France. The central banks

### Reversal at Porter Chadburn

Shares in Porter Chadburn slipped from 26p to 1912p as losses on the sale of a subsidiary sent the notepaper-toleisure products group crashing to a first-half loss.

Exceptional losses of £6.8 million on the disposal of Gola Footwear resulted in a pre-tax loss of £5.2 million in the six months to October 2, compared with a profit of £2.9 million last time.

There was a loss per share of 5.52p compared with earnings of 2.95p. Stripping out the exceptional costs, earnings slip to 1.26p (2.95p). The interim dividend is held at 0.85p a share.

Without the exceptionals. the company would have made a reduced pre-tax profit of £1.8 million (£2.9 million). The exceptional losses include a provision for anticipated losses of £228.000 on the sale of surplus freehold properties. shown in accordance with the new guidelines on company

accounting. Packaging sales rose to £24 million, boosting divisional operating profits to £2.3 million (£1.4 million). Sales of consumer products excluding Gola rose to £31 million (£27.5) million), but operating profits collapsed from £2.3 million to £0.7 million. Operating profits from specialist distribution slipped to £379,000

(£576.000). Neither consumer products nor specialist distribution have experienced any sign of an upturn. Levels of trading in some areas of the consumer products division have recently deteriorated further and the results for the year are expect-

### ed to reflect this. Express allocation

The public offer for shares in National Express, the longdistance coach operator, was oversubscribed. Applications totalling 14,723,200 shares were sent in for the 6.949.820 shares on offer. Those who applied for 250 shares were allocated in full. Bigger applications will be scaled back on a gradually increasing scale. Those who applied for 500,000 or more will get 29 per cent of what they asked for. About 25 per cent of the issue was offered to the public and the rest was placed with institutions. Dealings in the shares, offered at 165p, are expected to begin on Thursday, December 10.

### Losses trimmed

Harrison Industries, the industrial doors and power equipment company into which Antares Group was reversed early this year, trimmed its losses from £594,000 before tax to £455,000 in the six months to the end of September. Losses per share fell from 0.48p a share to 0.3p There is

LORD Alexander of Weedon

put up a strong defence yesterday of National West-

minster Bank's treatment of small firms as he came under fire from MPs for

exorbitant lending rates and

extra charges.
The bank's chairman said

branch managers tried to nurse companies through a deep, long-lasting recession as it was not in the bank's

interests for firms to fail.

Base rate reductions were

passed on in full, automati-

cally and immediately, to all

customers borrowing at base

But MPs on the Commons

cross-party Treasury com-

■ The French franc recovered after the Bundesbank intervened but French interest rates still rose sharply, reflecting continued uncertainty in the market

of Denmark, Belgium and The Netherlands were also active in a combined effort to

stabilise the system. The verbal assault on the ERM by Helmut Schlesinger. president of the Bundesbank. on Monday remained at the heart of the turmoil in Europe's currency markets. His of the disapproval tinuously on behalf of the system's weak currencies unleashed another wave of speculative selling. However, the franc recov

ered from its lows after the Bundesbank confirmed its intervention. That could not prevent French interest rates from rising sharply, an indication of nervousness about how far the Bundeshank's commitment will go if currency turbulence and the need for huge intervention continues.

Dr Schlesinger's remarks this week are the result of a policy dilemma for the Bundesbank. The bank's high interest rate policy is being pursued partly in response to above-target growth in its money supply. But the Bundesbank's obligation to intervene in markets on behalf of its European partners is boosting its money supply even further. While Germany's domestic considerations are being compromised by its ERM duties, currency market

stability is likely to be elusive.

day that life outside the ERM is a good deal calmer. The UK Treasury released figures showing a surprising rise in Britain's underlying reserves of gold and foreign currency of \$86 million in contrast to forecasts that reserves would fall by about \$1.8 billion.

Richard Jeffrey, Charterhouse Tilney, said the figures were evidence that there has been little need to intervene in support of the pound since it left the ERM in September. But he also said that, since September, it had become almost impossible to guess at the real reserves position

At the close of trading yesterday, the franc stood at 3.4100 to the mark, little recovered from a low of 3.4150. The pound was little changed from Tuesday's close, at DM2.4290.

☐ The European Commission said yesterday that the outlook for European econo-mies was very bleak. Henning Christopherson, commissioner for economic affairs, said overall growth would only amount to 1.1 per cent this year and would be at the low end of a range between one and 1.5 per cent next year. He called for a Europe-wide

shift towards spending on capital projects, stressing the commission's desire to see growth promoted.

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### Galpin to retire at **Standard Chartered**

BY NEIL BENNETT, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

RODNEY Galpin is stepping down as chairman and chief executive of Standard Chartered, the international banking group, next June in a move to split the roles between two existing senior directors.

The next chairman will be Patrick Gillam, the current deputy chairman and former managing director of BP. Malcolm Williamson, Standard's managing director, is being promoted to chief executive starting in the new year.

Mr Galpin's unexpected decision to retire comes after four and a half years in the post. During that time he has steered Standard away from near-collapse, strengthened its balance sheet, reduced costs and radically improved its credit quality.

Mr Galpin, 62 next vear, said he was taking the opportunity of the division of the two roles to retire. "When I joined the bank, people said it was called the most difficult job in British banking, I don't think it is now," he said, "With the appointment of a new chief executive I thought it was an

appropriate time to get out of his hair in the belief that I have changed the group and put it on a sure footing." Mr Galpin denied that his retirement had been forced on him by Standard's losses in the Bombay stock-market scandal, for which £100 million had been set aside. Standard is also strengthening its board by appointing David Moir, head of its Asia region, and David Brougham, head of all other regions, as directors.



### M&G loses 11,000 unit trust account holders

By Our Banking Correspondent

By Sheila Gunn, political correspondent

M&G Group, the fund manager, lost 11.000 unit trust clients in the past year, as the recession and uncertainty in world stock markets prompted investors to remove funds.

The firm maintained its pretax profits at £39.4 million in the year to end-September by launching its two largest investment trusts this year, which raised a total of £376 million. M&G's unit trust business was hit by net re-

mittee complained over in-

creased margins for small

firms in trouble, the 36.3 per

cent interest rate charged on

unauthorised loans, the ex-

cess borrowing charge of £3.50 a day, and demands by

bank managers for strug-

gling firms to pay for proper-ty or accountancy valuations

John Watts, the Tory chairman, said the bank

should rely on interest rates

for its rewards rather than

extra fees and charges, such

as £50 for a letter. Lord Alexander told MPs that the

hank, which lends £11 mil-

lion to its 1 million small

business customers, had to

before continuing loans.

demptions of £109 million during the year, compared with net investment of £123 million last time. The redemptions cut the unit trust accounts by 11,000 to 618,000.

M&G's unit trusts slipped 13 per cent in value to £4.14 billion, which contributed to a 5 per cent fall in the group's total funds to £8.59 billion. The group is still paying a final dividend of I lp. to bring the total to 20p, up 5 per cent.

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savers, borrowers, staff and

shareholders and so price its services fairly to reflect the

risks. Those risks increased

during a recession. "It is not

in our interests that busi-

nesses fail." he said. He added that there was no cross-subsidisation between

the bank's sectors, denying

that small firms faced

harsher treatment because

of losses suffered in other

parts of NatWest.
"We price according to the

risk." Under pressure from

MPs he admitted that mar-

gins had been increased for

some businesses, but said

the average increase had

NatWest chief grilled on small firms been 0.5 per cent. Quentin Davies. Conservative MP for Stamford and Spalding, said that 0.5 per cent could be a

> vices, said 65 per cent of customers had seen no change in margins at all during the recession and live per cent had seen a reduction. When asked why the banks were being criticised. Lord Alexander said: " have no monopoly on wisdom. We do not always get it right. We are capable of

lot of money for a firm under

pressure. Jane Bradford, head of small business ser-

Complaints soar, page 4



Profits pouring in: Sir Gordon Jones, chairman, left, and Malcom Batty, group finance director of Yorkshire Water, yesterday

### Yorkshire Water in heavy demand

By GRAHAM SEARJEANT FINANCIAL EDITOR

YORKSHIRE Water is surviving the recession better than most of its peers. Turnover rose 9.1 per cent to £239.5 million in the six months to end-September.

This included a 7.3 per cent increase at the utility business against a 7.1 per cent rise in prices. Malcolm Batty, the finance director, said lower usage by industrial customers had cost about E1 million but that new customers, including new residential connections, had added more.

The property market also remains alive in Yorkshire, enabling the group to sell some property in the first half and, it hopes, more jointly developed flats in the second. Work on a retail park on a disused site near Leeds should start next year with Evans of Leeds, the group's preferred development partner.

First-half pre-tax profits rose 12 per cent to £71.8 million. More than half the rise was due to a £4.4 million profit on the sale of the group's engineering design business to a joint venture with Baboock International. The interim dividend, normally a third of the year's total, rises 8.5 per cent to 7.05p from earnings up from 30.9p to 34.4p per share.

Yorkshire had among the lowest water supply operating costs among privatised groups, in a survey issued this week by Ofwat, the financial regulator. Sir Gordon Jones. chairman, said the group was reaching the limits of normal cost-cutting. It is now looking at contracting out all non-core functions in the utility business and managing all water operations from a single control in Leeds by advancing a programme of remote electronic control and monitoring of all its sites.

Investment in the utility business grew to £138 million and should reach £300 million for the full year. Drinking water purification and sludge burning projects are ahead of target. Sir Gordon said customers might be better served if planned spending on sewage treatment and underground pipe replacement were phased over a longer period rather than being accelerated.

The group faces an un-planned bill of more than £150 million for works in Hull as a result of European Community waste water directives issued since privatisation.

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# MSF makes U-turn by signing no-strike deal with Japanese

By Philip Bassett, industrial editor

LEADERS of the MSF technical trade union - a fierce critic of both strike-free deals and Japanese working practices in the UK — have signed a no-strike agreement with a Japanese company.

The new plant, in Mans-

field. Nottinghamshire, will create 400 jobs in a region hit hard by the recession and

Toray Textiles Europe, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Japanese Toray Industries group, is setting up a £60 million textile plant that should employ 400 people by the end of 1994, and has the capacity to double its size. Toray, which started manufacturing in Britain on two sites, in Bulwell, Nottingham-

shire, and Hyde, Cheshire, in 1989, when it bought the Samuel Courtauld division of Courtaulds, makes a number of garments for Marks and

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and Finance, one of three trade unions recognised at the company's two other plants. yesterday announced it had reached a single-union deal for the new factory. The deal will specifically

preclude strikes by means of pendulum arbitration - a strike substitute system under which an arbitrator decides in favour either of the company's pay offer or the union's claim.

The left-wing MSF and its predecessor unions have for years attacked this sort of agreement when signed by such right-wing unions as the electricians' and engineers'. At last year's Trades Union Congress conference, the MSF launched a bitter attack on the "alien" work practices of Japanese companies operating in the UK.

Roger Lyons, MSF general secretary, who confirmed yesterday that the Toray deal was a no-strike agreement, dissociated himself from the "alien"

attack mounted by his predecessor. Ken Gill, and, referring to the date he took over in the job, said: "Day 1 of MSF was September 1 1992. I'm not going to be held responsible for statements or comments made personally by my

predecessor. The deal marks what Mr Lyons said was a "watershed" for the MSF by taking the predominantly white-collar union into blue-collar representation. That may increase inter-union competition.

Paul Gallagher, general secretary of the electrical section of the AEEU engineering union, said: "I'm surprised but delighted that MSF have stopped seeing inward invest-ment as alien."

MSF stressed that the Toray deal will allow full-time union officials to sit on the joint management-employee company council. The union said this feature differentiated the deals from others.

### Christian Salvesen advances

By Colin Campbell

CHRISTIAN Salvesen, the distribution, marketing and specialist hire group, is raising its interim dividend by 10.3 per cent to 3.2p after reporting interim pre-tax profits of £40.4 million (£36.1 million) for the

period to end-September. , The group's non-core brickmaking operations still managed to make profits in a difficult market, and Salvesen Brick now has a national market share of 8 per cent. The rental of air-conditioning and lighting to the temporary television stations covering the Barcelona Olympics served the group well in the half year. generating profits of £1 million out of specialist hire profits of £15.4 million.

Net debt has been further reduced and gearing clipped from 27 per cent to 22.7 per cent. By year end, gearing should be under 20 per cent. Interim net earnings were 10.12p (9.01p).

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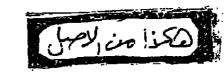
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# Bass casts its gaze overseas

the government's pubs dis-posal order is all but history, before the what, where, and when of its investment programme are announced.

The group's warning that the domestic economic outlook still looks fragile, and its reminder that there have previously been many false dawns about the American economy, suggest that if decided profits progress is to be made in its 1993 financial year then it will in the second rather than in the first half.

Pre-tax profits for the year ended September at £501 million (£430 million) were dented by £75 million (£55 million previously) of exceptional charges associated with rationalisation of brewery and pub operations.

Within an operating profit that eased by 1.5 per cent to £612 million, there was a strong performance by brew ing and hotels, but there were setbacks within pubs. The year's total dividend rises from 17.8p to 18.9p a share, covered 2.7 times. A slimmed-down portfolio.

coupled with lower market values, meant a £496 million property writedown at year-end. of which Bass regards £468 million to be "temporary". Net asset value at September 30 was 387p (422p) a share, gearing was 19 per cent (20 per cent), and interest cover at year end stood at 12 times.

Bass has demonstrated its ability to achieve margin improvement in a tough year, so the first genuine uptick in economic activity should have a decided impact on profits. However, earlier 1993 pre-tax profit estimates have been tempered in recognition of its own profits caution. Early thoughts for the 1993 profits outcome are for £610 million pre-tax, to put the shares at 585p on 12.3 times prospec-

tive carnings. Investors believing that economic life will be brighter in 1993 should buy Bass



Waiting game: John Wilson has yet to decide on London Electricity's future course

### Granada

A 129 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £130 million may flatter Granada Group a little, but not enough to deceive shareholders as to the undoubted progress that Gerry Robinson has made in his first year as chief executive.

What flattery there is is easily identified, most notably in the shape of the E310 million rights issue of 18 months ago that cut balance sheet gearing from 125 to 50 per cent. With the year to September 26 producing a positive cash flow of £44 million, the group's net borrowings and gearing have now fallen to £218 million and 39 per cent respectively. Inevitably, Granada is linked more to acquisitions than

disposals these days. Lower borrowings and the lower cost of these borrowings combined to give a £20

million kick to a profit and loss account that had already benefited from firmer prices and a rationalised cost base.

With extraordinary items tumbling from £47.8 million to the £13.1 million indicated at the interim stage. earnings per share have jumped 92 per cent to 19p. Mindful perhaps of the dan-gers of getting carried away by one year's progress, the directors have increased both final and total dividends by 10 per cent to 4.95p (4.5p) and 7.7p (7p).

Impressively, the improvement has come from all four of Granada's businesses, although the 50 per cent increase in operating profits from television has been heiped by a £6 million reduction in the Exchequer Levy. With the group's £111 million investment in British Sky Broadcasting looking increasingly secure, the group looks on course for pre-tax profits approaching £160 million this year. At 334p, a almost 14 should not deter

### London Electricity

**READERS** may be surprised to learn that this summer was actually better than in 1991, but this is the claim from London Electricity. chaired by John Wilson, which is pointing to a 1 per cent fall in electricity units distributed in the six months to end-September as

This and an adjustment to this year's tariffs after a rise the previous year that was ahead of the eventual inflation out-turn left profits from the core distribution business £4 million lower at £54 million in the first half.

After expected summer losses from supply and another £4 million out of the retail business, operating profits were little changed. and it was a turndown in interest payments that left the pre-tax figure £2.8 mil-lion better at £17.3 million.

The market did not like the size of the retail losses after the heavy investment that has gone into the business. 2p to 420p. Given that some branches have been trading for less than a year, London is not unreasonably waiting to see what Santa brings before deciding on its future course, but an eventual exit looks on the cards.

This would seem sensible, in that valuable management time is being wasted on fringe business, although the cost of an exit. with precious few ready buyers around, would be heavy.

The interim dividend is raised by a hefty 12 per cent to 5.6p, and Liz Christie, of Goldman Sachs, is expecting a total payment of 18.8p on pre-tax profits of upwards of £160 million. The shares yield 6 per cent, dead in the middle of the electricity distributors' pack, and should be held given the prospects of strong dividend growth.

### Yorkshire Water

YORKSHIRE rightly has a premium stock market rating among privatised water groups because its management performs well, keeping operating cost rises below

Interim pre-tax profits of £71.8 million showed an underlying rise of 5 per cent. more than prices. Modest property profits expected in the second half are another sign that this region is surviving recession better than most. Assuming no secondhalf surprises, the shares will yield about 5.6 per cent in dividend at 502p and sell at about eight times earnings.

The shares are no longer cheap, but you don't get owt

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### City turns attention to takeover rumours after bout of profit-taking

TAKEOVER rumours swirled round the City as the market paused for breath after a bout of profit-taking, ending the

record-breaking run.
Senior traders feel that the
market needs further stimulus in the form of a big bid if it is to climb higher. Potential takeover candidates returned no favour as speculators turned to Lucas, up 10p to 134p, on volume of 4.6 million shares, after talk of a bid from cashrich GEC or BTR.

Shares in GEC, which unveiled higher profits and a cash mountain of £1.1 billion, fell 9p to 263p, while BTR, which on Tuesday benefited from a spate of upgrades, ended unchanged at 5172p.

BTR was also mentioned as possible suitor for Tarmac with the takeover rumours helping Tarmac's shares add 6p to 96p, on a heavy volume of 13 million shares. The story was fuelled by reports that Cazenove, BTR's broker, had been buying Tarmac heavily

during the morning.
Overnight weakness in New
York and Hong Kong had
provided traders with the excuse to mark shares lower, while a surprise rise in November's gold and currency reserves did little to lift senti-

ment in London. A lower opening on Wall Street and gloomy growth forecasts from the EC economic affairs commissioner combined with weak futures to pull the underlying cash market lower. The FT-SE 100 share index ended down 27.9 at 2,764.1. Volume reached 624.2 million shares.

As leading shares took a breathing space, investors searched for secondary issues that have been left behind, helping the FT-SE Mid 250 index rise 6.3 to 2,650.8.

Granada jumped 25p to 334p as analysts upgraded profit estimates in response to a better than expected surge in full-year profits. In contrast, earnings at the lower end of expectations and a warning that current trading is "very

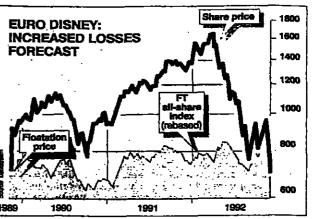
Sentiment was helped by the

the passage of a supplementary budget in Parliament's

lower house, brokers said. The

Nikkei average was up 80.64

points, or 0.47 per cent, to



tough" saw shares in Bass slide 15p to 585p, damping spirits of some others in the sector. Scottish & Newcastle lost 8p to 413p, Wolverhampton & Dudley 2p to 523p, Guinness 15p to 543p and Grand Metropolitan, due to report finals today, 7p to 440p. 440p. The announcement that Whithread Investment Company had increased its stake in Greene King, up 2p to 470p. to 6.5 per cent came after the market had closed.

Julie Ramshaw at Morgan Stanley has reiterated her buy stance on Next, up 4p to 138p, and lifted her current year pre-tax profit forecast by E2 million to £32.5 million. Morgan Stanley has trimmed its forecast for Marks and Spencer, down 4p to 336p, by £30 million to £725 million for the current year, on the back of slightly lower than expected volume growth.

American buying and positive noises from Nomura, the Japanese securities house, helped ICI add 14p to £10.27.

American interest also helped Sears climb 4p to 96p, on heavy volume of 8.7 million shares, while positive notes from brokers lent support to T&N, up 9p at 147p, Booker, 26p higher at 370p, and Tiphook, 30p stronger at

305p. P&O, depressed by a Yamaichi sell recommendaMUCH

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tion, lost 16p to 475p.

A fresh slide in the Hong Kong stock market triggered another bout of selling in HSBC down 22p at 480p. giving a two-day loss of 38p, while Standard Chartered fell 15p to 528p and Cable and Wireless 16p to 643p.

Euro Disney lost 27p to 698p, giving a two-day deficit of 70p, in the wake of Tuesday's increased losses forecasts by Goldman Sachs and Paribas. This is the first time that the shares have fallen below 1989's floatation price

of 707p. Eurotunnel fell 10p to 345p after Andre Benard, chairman, said that the Channel tunnel project expects to raise new capital to help plug a funding shortfall. Hopes of a possible Kuwaiti armoured vehicles deal helped GKN advance 15p to 419p.

Proteus, the drug design group which recently acquired an arthritis treatment company, jumped 18p to 439p. SHV, the private Dutch group that invests in fuel

distribution companies, confirmed that it was behind the recent spurt of share-buying in Calor Group, down 4p at 220p. SHV lifted its stake in Calor from about 46 to 48.15

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New York — Shares extended their losses in late morning trading as the market adjusted in preparation for a report on employment, traders said.

Tom Luker, head of trading normal consolidation. The market has been over-bought in the short term." The Dow Jones industrial average was off 11.35 points at 3,283.01. - Shares closed moderately firmer on bargainhunting after Tuesday's drop.

☐ Hong Kong — Hong Kong's battered shares fell further as overseas institutions followed the stampede by local investors out of the market. The Hang Seng index offi-

cially closed at 5,411.65, 90.06 points, or 1.64 per cent.

Second Consolidated Tst 99

By Sarah Bagnall LLOYD'S underwriters have been consulted for calculation esponded angrily to figures of the syndicate's incurred, but not reported, losses released on Monday by Chatset, the insurance market analyst, which put the total cost of Several Lloyd's practitioners

**Underwriters angry** 

Underwriters say they are

unable to reconcile their predominantly lower figures with Chatset's because they do not know what Chatset's are based upon. Mr Youell said he had not been asked for informa-

# over Chatset figures

have condemned the analysis Youell, underwriter for marine syndicate 932, said Chatset's estimate of a further deterioration in the syndicate's losses of 300-400 per cent was "dotty". At worst the "outside figure is 20 per cent," he said.

tion and their actuary had not

John Wetherall, underwriter for non-marine syndicate 190, said: "I believe speculation about syndicates reserving and potential deterioration is speculating unprofessionally and is totally misleadmade big reserves and, as a consequence, despite conliability they "would be hope-

exceed 60 per cent of stamp. of Chatset, said its figures were based on the worst available such as pollution and asbestos. In some cases they came from the syndicates' accounts.

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### War games for **GEC** and **BAe**

ittle more than a year ago a financial crisis erupted at British Aerospace that scuppered Italks with GEC over joint ventures and the possibility of Lord Weinstock's company taking a minority stake. Now British Aerospace is in the midst of a massive restructuring and GEC is in rude health. Not a bad time for Lord Weinstock to think about reopening talks with John Cahill, the new chairman of British Aerospace, especially in areas where an alliance could help save the British taxpayer's money.

Defence analysts point out that the Ministry of Defence has no experience in managing huge defence contracts itself. Someone has to integrate what the defence industry calls the weapons platform, the ship or plane which delivers the missile, the missile itself, and the delicate electronics which control the missile. control the missile. At the moment GEC and BAe do the job for the government but it seems that competition between just two contractors, who may well be awarded the work on a you this time, him next time basis, does not drive down prices. Surely a combination of such thrifty managers as Lord Weinstock and Mr Cahill, after all his years at the RTP school of cock BTR school of cash management, could do better.

Some in the City think Lord Weinstock may well be tempted to make another approach to BAe. Before the nationalisation of the aerospace industry, now privatised as BAe, GEC owned half of the British Aircraft Corporation. In 1984 Lord Weinstock wanted to take over BAe but was rebuffed. He has apparently regretted it ever since. But how would Mr Cahill react if approached? He has just spent El billion on capping losses in BAe's regional aircraft business to focus the group on defence. Add in some long-awaited good news on the Al Yamamah contract, Cohill saudi finances are in better shape, and Mr Cahill may be reluctant to play at the moment. Lord Weinstock is a patient man though and may be reluctant to give up on his grand vision of a great British areospace and defence grouping.

### BT uncertainty

rovided the government does not try to be too clever with BT3, as the planned sale of a third tranche of stock in our biggest telecoms company has been dubbed, the offering should go well. It will not need, and may suffer from, elaborate bells and whistles aimed at promoting so-called wider share ownership. These usually miss the whole point of share ownership and encourage punters to regard buying shares as an alternative to a flutter on the 3.30 at Kempton Park.

Yesterday's price cuts to phone customers were coupled with a reminder from the industry regulator that further reductions will be needed in order for BT to meet its RPI minus 7½ per cent formula. That may raise fears that BT will have to suffer in order to meet what is the toughest price cap imposed on a leading European telecoms company. But BT's severe redundancy programme and large scale disposals have set a trend to far lower costs. Annual staff costs in 1997 are estimated to be £1 billion below those of this year.

What is needed badly, though the long term investing institutions have been painfully slow to push for it, is a statement from the government setting the limits to the positive discrimiation against BT aimed at taking away its market share in order to promote wider competition. The BT3 prospectus should set out the lower limits of segmental market share at which the positive discrimination will stop and free competition will resume. Having established the priciple for BT, the government might then he persuaded to do the decent thing and repeat the process for British Gas, whose shareholders are similarly in need of regulatory transparency.

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# Currency vultures wait for Europe to lose its enthusiasm for the ERM

Wolfgang Münchau

says speculators may lose the battle against

the franc as they

misjudge the Bundesbank

he hull in Europe's foreign exchange markets was brief and ended a few days ago.

The news that the
Bundesbank and the Banque de
France were again intervening in
support of the franc shows that the speculators are back in business. They have entered what amounts to the third round in the battle over the exchange-rate mechanism this year. It may not be the last, but if it is and if the speculators win this time, the future of the ERM is in doubt

Yesterday, it appeared the central banks had retained the upper hand. But what is far more interesting is why a speculator, having lost the battle over the franc in September, would want to return to fight what is essentially the same battle? One would have assumed that even highrisk speculators would have learnt their lesson and stayed away.

The reason for the speculation is a perception that something fundamental has changed since Black Wednesday. This has little to do with the much-quoted political uncertainty in Europe, or even with French obstructiveness in the world trade talks, nor is it related to the likelihood of a French recession. What has changed, from the market's point of view, is the position of Germany and the Bundesbank, where there appears to be growing frustration about the way in which the ERM operates. If the Bundesbank is thought to be no longer prepared to defend the ERM with the same determination as before, then the mechanism itself comes under fire. And this means scope for speculation profits.

While this sounds plausible, supporting evidence is, at best, sketchy. The market's behaviour appears to have become progressively irrational from battle to battle, at least on purely fundamental economic grounds. The most rational exchange-rate bet was the first, ahead of Black Wedndesday, when the markets (and the Bundesbank) took the view that the parities of sterling and the lira were unsustainable, and out of line with during a recession were one sign. The growing divergence of purchasing power parities (PPPs) from the real exchange rates was another. PPPs are exchange rates adjusted for by a chosen measure of inflation, usually traded goods, and they constitute a frequently used method of assessing whether an exchange rate is at a "correct" level or at least whether it is sustainable.

The subsequent bout of speculation against the franc was less rational. since the PPPs suggested that the franc was properly valued. France



Looking for a sure bet: currency markets have become more irrational in the search for profits

has a lower rate of inflation than Germany and a lower public sector deficit. If one believed purely in the significance of PPPs then there is no fundamental economic reason to suspect a devaluation of the franc. On the contrary, if the PPP theorem was correct, one would have placed a bet on an appreciation of the franc.

But a speculator could still have been regarded as rational, because the system itself looked vulnerable after the exit of sterling and the lira. and it seem worth a try to bet on the ERM's very survival. It also appeared at the time that the markets could win any battle against the central banks. In the case of the French franc, the markets were wrong and they lost.

So why would the same speculators come back now? Once again, the key to their behaviour can be found in a president of Bundesbank and his intellectual entourage. On their own, none of these comments amounts to much. But taken together, they paint picture of a malcontent

Bundesbank, a state within a state, unhappy with the ERM, unhappy with German inflation, monetary growth, and with the German government

This week. Helmut Schlesinger let it be publicly known that he had reservations about certain aspects of the ERM's operations, especially the intervention mechanism. After 13

years of mainly successful operation, the issue over intervention has suddenly gained prominence, after the Bundesbank spent about 100 billion marks in support operations for other currencies. In practice, this presents less of a problem than the sheer size the figure suggests, but massive intervention in a short period of time has led to an indirect rise in the

money supply. In a speech to economists and students at the University of Cologne, Dr Schlesinger said "unlimited obligatory intervention" constituted a "powerful incentive for speculation". For good measure he cited the case of George Soros, the American investor who claims to have made a \$950

million profit on Black Wednesday. There are two reasons behind Dr Schlesinger's scepticism. First, the Bundesbank is opposed to intervention if it believes that a particular parity is indefensible. It is a case of the Bundesbank refusing literally to pour good money after bad.

econd, and far more seriously, the Bundesbank is afraid of blackmail. In theory, intervention for a weak currency could be unlimited if governments refuse to agree to realignments. The rules stipulate that any money borrowed from the Bundesbank to prop up a weak currency would have to be repaid within about three months.

but in the very short term there is no theoretical limit to the amount of intervention. In theory, the others could conspire and let the Bundesbank bleed to death.

It has recently become known that when the ERM was set up in 1979, the then-president of the Bundesbank, Otmar Emminger, obtained a guarantee from Helmut Schmidt, the former German Chancellor, that the Bundesbank would not have to intervene ad infinitum in defence of a weak currency. But this guarantee was given on

the assumption that such a situation would never arise because a realignment would occur before intervention got out of control. But the events in September have shown that this is not necessarily the case. Germany wants a proper realignment, and even made an request to such effect to Jean-Claude Trichet, head of the EC monetary committee. For reasons about which there has a good deal of speculation, he did not call a meeting to discuss this the request.

Dr Schlesinger has not put forward his own view on how the intervention mechanism should be reformed. Perhaps this could involve the imposition of a limit on obligatory intervention, so that a realignment could be effectively forced even on reluctant government. The main problem is that this does not deal with the problem of speculation. Indeed, there

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may even be more speculation, if the markets believe that an intervention "threshold" has been reached.

From recent experience, the Bundesbank appears to take the view that the ERM has considerable weaknesses, although Dr Schlesing-er's Cologne speech also put his criticism into perspective, when he argued against a fundamental reform of the ERM.

Foreign exchange markets regard the Bundesbank's present unease as a sign of weakness, which may be financially exploitable. With the onslought on the franc, speculators may just want to test how far the Bundesbank can be pushed. But the

stake are high.
The Bundesbank may not want to be held responsible for what could turn out to be the demise of the ERM. Black Wednesday has shown that the Bundesbank can be rather unenthusiastic in its support of what it regards Bundesbank regards an exchange rate as defensible, as in the case of the franc, it is prepared to mount largescale support operations.

t is perfectly true that the turbulence in the ERM raises a number of questions about the future of monetary co-operation in Europe. Others may criticise the Bundesbank's policy of high interest rates, without which the recent tension may never have arisen in the first place. Even if the Bundesbank's wish to

limit the intervention mechanism was heeded. German economic poli-cy, which is the real cause for many of Europe's present economic difficul-ties, will be no different. The Bundesbank will always put Germany first, last and always"—its responsibility under German law.

But it would be hazardous to speculate that Germany and the Bundesbank are going to let go of the ERM. Too much political credibility has been staked on the ERM as a system of exchange-rate management and as a precursor to full monetary union, to which the German government and the Bundesbank remain committed. The franc is not as widely traded as sterling, and is defensible as long as the perceived fundamentals are in place. The Bundesbank places great emphasis on the importance of purchasing

PPPs do not constitute the ultimate answer to the question of what constitutes a correct rate of exchange. But a devaluation of the franc would

Indeed there is some speculation that the French authorities may mount a forward defence of the franc by moving into an even narrower ERM band than the present 2.25 per cent fluctuation. This would cement the hard core of the ERM, with Germany, France and the Benelux countries at the centre.

Speculators should also beware that there is one thing that Dr Schlesinger dislikes even more than unlimited intervention: a speculator who makes a profit of \$950 million in one day.

### THE TIMES **CITY DIARY**

### All dressed up and nowhere . . .

WHAT a relieft Those who feared they had been relegated to the "B" list or passed over altogether for the grand gathering usually held by Sears cach year at Claridges can sleep knowing they have not been socially snubbed. Each January, Sears holds a cocktail party in the hotel's ballroom for 300 of the great and good but has cancelled the occasion this time round because of the recession. Many a discrect enquiry has apparently been made from those who regularly attend and Geoffrey Maitland Smith, chairman, confesses the situation has required infinite délicatesse. A letter of cancellation would have been embarrassing, but problems were also posed by Maidand Smith's idea of conveying the message by sending out early invitations for the party al-ready booked for 1994. The truth dawned on me that 90 per cent of people would not read the invitations properly and would turn up in January 1993, he says. So far, he has relied on telling people per-sonally. Now others can also rest at case.

### **Charity first**

SEARS is not the only firm doing things differently this Christmas. City solicitor Richards Butler has decided to cut back on the canapes and serve only wine at tonight's drinks party for 200 banking clients. But the solicitor is not just saving pennies. Instead, it is donaling to charity the £10 per head it would have spent on

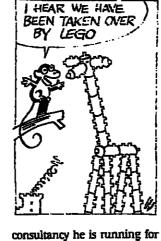
asparagus and smoked salmon. The money is going to the Save the Children fund and partner Colin Bamford says clients have warmed to the idea — several who cannot artend have sent donations.

### Fettered by lease

LAURENCE Shurman, the banking ombudsman, is find-ing out how intransigent landlords can be. When his office was set up in 1985 the far-sighted banks who fund him signed a lease into the next century with no breaks. Now, thanks to a record number of complaints about high street banks, Shurman's staff has increased from the initial two to 35. New premises are urgently needed and are being sought. says Dame Mary Donaldson, the chairman of the office. The new offices are likely to be substantially cheaper than the offices the ombudsman currently occupies in Fetter Lane, in the City, and will leave him trying to find a tenant at a likely loss. The ombudsman is determined not to work from two centres, says Dame Mary.

### Checking them out

RECEIVERSHIPS in the hotel market are providing endless opportunities for budding hotel entrepreneurs. Guy Macpherson, who ran the Gleneagles Hotel for two years after British Rail sold it, is being backed by the Blandy group, which is based in Madeira, to create a UK group of luxury hotels. But in the last two years he has found there is more mileage in rescuing hotels from the clutches of the receivers. Mazard, the



Blandy, currently operates eight hotels for the likes of Lloyds Bank and Ernst & Young. Macpherson looks after them alongside award-winning hotels such as Blandy's Charingworth Man-or in the Cotswolds. "We immediately remove the stigma of a hotel being run by the receivers," he maintains. There is, doubtless, a certain cachet in Macpherson's association. He joined Trusthouse Forte as a waiter in the Waldorf and ended up running 18 Forte hotels and as number two in its international division. Blandy's is good for a name or two as well. Its Maderia flagship is Reids, world famous for the tropical gardens that inspired Winston Churchill to paint.

### Tarrying no more

CHANGE is in the air at Barclays de Zoete Wedd where Brian Tarrel is retiring as head of United Kingdom market-making after a quarter of a century in the Square

Holloway's departure four years ago and has won the respect of his City peers for his work at BZW — not that he would admit it, of course. "The firm has been very good to me, but I am getting a bit too old for all the changes," says Tarrel, who joined the old stock exchange floor in 1964 and had a spell as Sir Nicholas Goodison's blue button before switching to life as a jobber. He began working on the oils pitch with R A Blackwell, the obbing firm bought by Wedd Durlacher in 1973, and was swept along into the BZW empire in the run-up to Big Bang. He hands over to his deputy. John David-Jones.

**Blessed Blaise** AFTER another year talking themselves hourse in the service of Britain's hard-hit oil company, the BP press office has wisely chosen the medieval crypt of St Etheldreda's Church in Ely Place near Holborn as the venue for its Christmas party. The church is best known for the throat blessing ceremony which takes place on the feast of St Blaise each year on February 3. attracting those with sore vocal chords from around the world. Relief for parched throats will undoubtedly feature at the BP party - also with the church's blessing. Eating and drinking are both cry Christian activities," says Father Kit Cunningham, who has been invited to attend. Amen to that, says City Diary.

From the Earl of Lauderdale More than 11 weeks later, Sir. Reports that Access ac-counts addressed to the Chancellor of the Exchequer have gone unpaid cause me to Mile Tarrel, 52, stepped into the breach after Peter disclose an Access error in the opposite direction. I hold a signed receipt for payment to Access Ltd. via the

Royal Bank of Scotland, Brompton Road, SW3, branch, of the sum of £630.06p on August 12 last for settlement of my then current account.

Access have still not credited this amount to my account and continue to clock up interest against it.

It is now two calendar months since I drew the attention of the Royal Bank of Scotland to this matter and I am once again being invited to be patient. Yours faithfully,

LAUDERDALE, House of Lords,

### When Parcel Force was far too quick From Mr Davis Morris

A case of Access and patience

Sir. The misfortunes suffered by small businesses extend beyond the banks to other somewhat necessary services. As director of a business depending much on mail order in this pre-Christmas period, we are now informed Parcel Force is applying an immediate increase in charges. It is too late to adjust price

lists and we must just accept the loss in revenue. Surely, Parcel Force should give adequate notice to small as well as large mail order firms - and why could they not delay their increases until January 1? Yours faithfully. DAVIS MORRIS.

1 Prior Avenue, Richmond. North Yorkshire.

### Giving Safeway's French turkeys the bird

From Mr W. G. Cover Sir, Your Deputy City Editor writes (November 25) under the heading "Argyle offers cheer with turkey glut and profits rise" that Safeway will be importing cheap French turkeys for Christmas.

This seems very unnecessary when our own farmers are struggling to make ends meet and apart from the effect on the balance of payments we all prefer home bred birds. To add fuel to fire we read on page I "French to intercept UK farm lorries" and we already know the attitude of French farmers to importing UK lambs. The article states Militant French peasants have declared war on British DEBRA ISAAC | lorries entering France carry-

ing farm products". Why should we import from France produce that we can provide in this country when the French adopt an anti-British attitude?

Surely Safeway should sup-port British farmers: I shall not purchase a turkey at Safeway this Christmas. Although up to the present I have shopped at Safeways there are many other supermarkets where I can buy my groceries and Christmas fare. David Webster (Safeway) it is up to you to fill your shelves with UK products; you are one of many who is in a position to help the UK out of recession. Yours faithfully,

W. G. COVER. Upper Foxhall, Upton Bishop. Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire.

### NHL and a rise in directors' salaries

From Mr Tom Sales Sir. As a shareholder in the company, I was interested to read your headline on November 21 "National Home Loans dives to £146m loss" and your statement that "its shares and preference shares are virtually worthless".

This is a far cry from the heady days of Thatcher and Lawson in the late 1980s. The accounts for 1988 showed that directors' emoluments and fees rose from

£378,000 to £726,000 - an increase of 92 per cent from the previous year.

wrote to the then chairman, Mr J O R Darby, and the chief executive replied at length with the usual flannel that the directors did not decide on their own remuneration: this was done by the remuneration committee comprising nonexecutive directors. Yours faithfully, TOM SALES,

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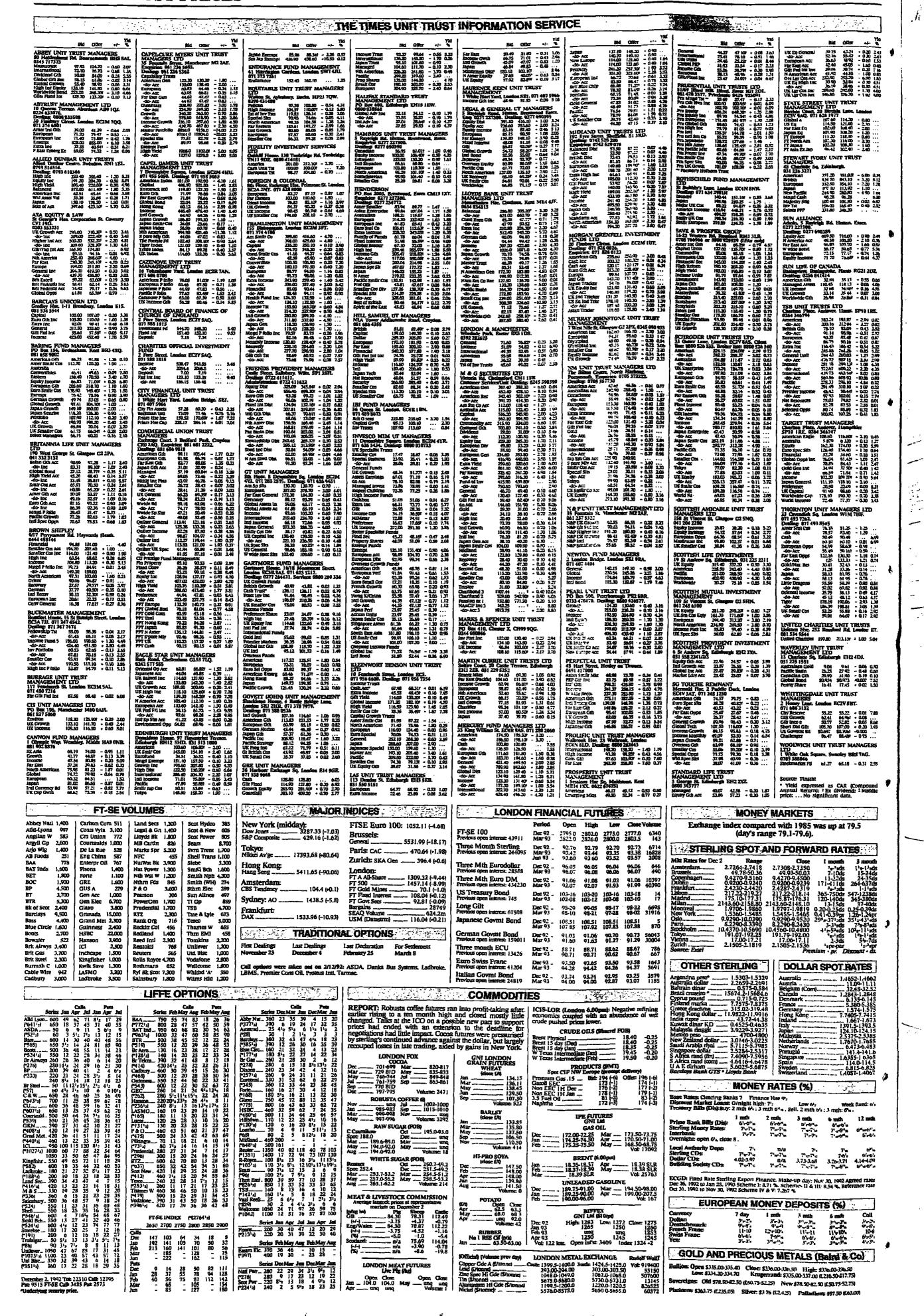
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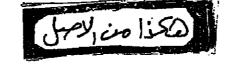
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# ACCOUNTANCY

Two perspectives on the likely impact of the Cadbury code of practice

# Staging post on road of reform

THIS year has proved a water-shed for accounting reform, combining David Tweedie's symbolic new profit and loss accounting standard, the Auditing Practices Board's agenda for change and the more conservative but quick-acting Cadbury code. That is quite enough for some. Determined reformers should already be looking forward to 1995.

The most telling criticism of the APB paper, made by Ernst & Young's David Lindsell, was that it would take so long to agree in detail and to implement that it could not satisfy the expectations it raised. Now there is a deadline.

Sir Adrian Cadbury and his colleagues have asked that Sir Ron Dearing's Financial Reporting Council should arrange for a new committee to be set up by June 1995 to see whether companies are complying with the code, whether other proposals have been put into practice and whether the code needs updating. In effect, it would judge whether the whole exercise worked.

Its verdict will probably be that more is needed. The conclusions of the auditing debate should be ready to fill the gap. This sounds prematurely pessimistic. The code of best boardroom practice will surely attract high compliance, given some waivers for smaller companies, forcing most to bring in changes. By 1995, the code should have improved standards and started to make a mark on average company performance. That will, however, be achieved by saving head-strong venturers and ambi-

tious managers from error. By their nature, such useful developments tend to go unnoticed, like a clandestinely arranged Bank of England rescue. Corporate failures and scandals, though with luck far fewer than in the years of boom and bust, will be more visible. Given the dimate of reform, they will bring calls to the clampers to release me, but

go beyond Cadbury. More drastic reforms are already on the table with sober respected names attached to them.

In that sense, the Cadbury code and the APB green paper can be seen as the completion of one cycle and the start of another. Although linked to Sir Adrian's name, his committee contained prominent representation from the sponsoring accountancy profession. The mix of interests at

the APB was not dissimilar. Cadbury achieved general agreement from business and the City on propositions that were highly controversial when it started 18 months ago. These include audit committees formed entirely by non-executive directors and rotation of audit partners.

That is a considerable achievement, but time has moved on. Cadbury still saw public misunderstanding as the main source of the expectations gap. The APB now blames auditors for not fulfilling the role wanted. Cadbury still looks askance at rotation of audit firms, now broadly accepted by the APB.

The most critical difference is on how much can be expected of non-executive directors. Cadbury relies heavily

on them, in part because that offered a widely agreed base on which to build voluntary change. Sadly, too many auditors have horror stories about audit committees that turned out to be full of dummies who did not understand their concerns, or relied on manage-ment. Proving the hidden reserves of talented new nonexecutives who will be needed is one of the unknowns in the Cadbury formula, though Sir Adrian sees public service and academe as promising zones

for exploration. The APB is already looking beyond non-executives to provide new bulwarks for auditors' independence. Its ideas are far from general accep-tance. The Cadbury report sees no practical way to link shareholders and auditors directly. Sir Adrian airily dismissed the idea, championed by Roger Davis, of Coopers & Lybrand, for a voluntary body, akin to the City Panel that referees, interprets and en-forces the takeover code. Sir Adrian, a member of the City Panel, saw it as a recipe for bureaucracy. Come 1995, it would be no surprise if the committee to review the Cadbury code quickly turns itself into that very body.



Fighting for better standards: Sir Adrian Cadbury

### Clamping the clampers

JOHN Ellison, forensic accounting partner at KPMG Peat Marwick, is claiming victory after a row with a private car-clamping firm near his home in Winchester, Hampshire. Ellison returned one night to find his Volvo had been clamped because the valid parking ticket, for which he had paid £1.50, was onetenth obscured by part of the windscreen. He called the police and attempted to have the parking attendant arrested

for extortion. "The police told

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they refused to do so unless I paid £58.75p," says Ellison, 39, who often appears in court as an expert witness. "The police then told me to jack the car up and try and remove the clamp myself." He jacked it up, while police and clampers looked on, but was unsuccessful. After a battle, he has accepted £50 from the clamping company as compensation.

Words of passion COOPERS & Lybrand has dull and dreary." Quite so. been patting itself on the back. There are no plans to add any

over the success of its Manual of Auditing, but the style is not, it seems, to everyone's liking. Coopers is presently trans-lating the 1,000-page tome into Polish to assist training programmes. There was suitable indignation when an unnamed Pole suggested that the epic work lacked passion. "I am extremely passionate about auditing," says Tony Bingham, the co-author. "I think his point was that it is easy to make auditing sound

steamy passages to liven the

ROGER Davis. head of audit at Coopers & Lybrand, regaled his audience at a lecture on corporate governance last week with a light-hearted reminder that little has changed since Christopher Columbus set sail for the new world in 1492. When he set out he did not know where he was going, when he got there he did not know where he was, and when he got back he did not know where he had been. And he did it all on borrowed

JON ASHWORTH

# No hiding place for company directors

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NOW we have the double whammy. Last week, the McFarlane report on the future development of auditing hit company directors. The traditional lever that directors used to wield power over the auditors was removed. No longer could they cling to the fiction that they really appoint auditors and so can bully them into accepting at best interesting, at worst bizarre, accounting policies. Instead, McFarlane underlined the importance, and legal primacy, of shareholder power.

This week brought the second blow. The final report from the Cadbury committee on financial aspects of corporate governance was published and with it a code of best practice. And there it is again. In the words of Sir Adrian Cadbury, the committee's chairman, compliance is a matter for shareholders". It is difficult to see where directors can now hide. They are, for the moment, going with

the flow. The Cadbury report will be welcomed carefully by most listed companies. The proof will come later. The code will be implemented earlier than they expected, a report on compliance becoming a Stock Exchange listing requirement for company year ends after June 30 next year. And while the final version of the report makes a number of cosmetic concessions to critics of the earlier draft, the important cultural changes remain. For example, the report does now make it clearer that two-tier boards were not a hidden agenda in the draft report But, at the same time, the

code insists that an audit

committee has to be set up with at least three non-executive directors on it. This audit committee, among other things, should have a discussion with the auditors at least once a year, without executive board members present, to ensure that there are no unresolved issues of concern".

This is a far cry from the fear that we might follow much of the rest of the world down the route to boards split between directors who run the company and those who ostensibly direct its policy. But it is also a far cry from the current practices of many listed companies.

The only comfort that the more laggard of company directors can derive is that the code's proposals that "the directors should report on the effectiveness of the company's system of internal control" and that "the directors should report that the business is a going concem, with supporting assumptions or qualifi-cations as necessary" are being delayed until

"the necessary guidance has been developed". It is the old story. Well-run companies have nothing to fear. And in the past badly run companies would have got off virtually scot-free as well. But the tide is running in favour of reform. No real enforcement power exists. but pressures will grow on companies to comply in full. Any companies that do not should "identify and give reasons for any areas of non-compliance". Judging by the current power of the Review Panel of the Financial Reporting Council to shame companies into restating eccentric deviations from standard financial reporting practices, this system should work for the forseeable future.

The question then is what happens when the economy eventually shifts up a gear and fancy footwork on the corporate front comes back into fashion? The answer is that the Cadbury proposals this time around also include

their own version of the double whammy. The Financial Reporting Council "should appoint a new committee by the end of June 1995, to examine how far compliance with the code has progressed, how far its other recommendations have been implemented, and whether the code needs updating". And, as if that was not enough, it adds a further threat and recommends that it should also decide whether wider matters of corporate governance" should be included in its brief. Touche Ross, in its comments on the final report, argues that "this means that obvious flouting of the code could result in two bursts of unfavourable publicity, immediate and again in two years' time,

during the review process". This, Touche argues, will "help to discourage unreasonable non-compliance". In troubled times, when companies need all the friends they can get to keep the lines of credit open, bad publicity is seen as disastrous.

The real flaw lies in the long-term development of Cadbury's efforts to change corporate culture. Until now, shareholders, particularly the ostensibly powerful institutional groupings, have shown no interest in using their muscle. It is essential that they do so before the popular mood for reform, on which Cadbury and McFarlane will make much progress. fades away. The new structures will have to be central to corporate governance by then.

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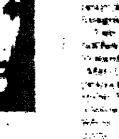












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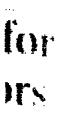
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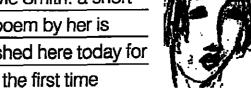


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Kate Hardie plays a troubled honeymooner in the period melodrama The Ghost Train

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Stevie Smith: a short poem by her is published here today for



CINEMA: Geoff Brown reviews Death Becomes Her and (below, left) charts the career of its star, Meryl Streep

### Multples of Meryl

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accent for the film of David Hare's Plenty. 1987: Gets a coat c grime for her alcoholic ba lady in Ironweed. Few peole see this. Next year, bounce back with cropped black hir and an Australian accen as a supposed baby killerin A Cry in the Dark.

1989: Celebrate turning 40 with the terrible he-Devil. 1990: Finds sucess again in the brittle comdy Postcards from the Edge. Oncludes film

with a song. 1991: More brite comedy in Death Become Her, with more singing, to.



# Special effects swamp the story



Relishing an unconventional role: Meryl Streep, an anatomically challenged "bitch in velvet" in Martin Donovan and David Koepp's "frustratingly imperfect black comedy" Death Becomes Her

scriptwriter David Koepp, "We always wondered how Night Of the Living Dead would have turned out if Noel Coward had written it." Not many people can have shared such thoughts on George A. Romero's low-budget zombie classic; and Koepp's script for Death Becomes Apartment Zero, Martin Donovan, bears ample testament to a weird imagination at work

Two rival Beverly Hills ladies. bitches in velvet, fight desperately to ward off the ravages of time. One (Meryl Streep) is an acid-tongued peacock, faced with a plummeting show business career. The other (Goldie Hawn) is a shy book editor whose husband-to-be, plastic sur-geon Bruce Willis, has been scooped up by Streep. Grief and the special-effects wizards turn Hawn into a hideously bloated nervous wreck: but pounds and years drop off once she sups a magic potion which provides eternal youth, dis-pensed by Isabella Rossellini's beautician from a Gothic mansion that Dracula might envy. When Streep, seething, also takes the potion, outrageous fortune's slings

and arrows thunder down. This frustratingly imperfect black comedy about human vanity is directed by Robert Zemeckis, last encountered in 1990 rounding off his hugely successful Back to the Future trilogy. His new production is much less of a crowd-pleaser: the mood is too off-beat, the temperature too cold, while the desperate plights of these Beverly Hills harridans can hardly strike home with the bulk of today's movie audi-

n the immortal words of ences, decades away from their first grey hair.

Yet, like any major Hollywood venture, Death Becomes Her must make some appeal to the marketplace. "You have no talent for poverty," Hawn tells the downtrodden Willis, contemplating divorce from his insufferable wife. Neither has Zemeckis. He gives the film a his special effects team run up the most fabulous bills.

At first the technical stunts are neatly spaced out First, Hawn becomes a ballooning slob. A while later, Streep is pushed downstairs and emerges with her neck twisted 180 degrees. Then, once Hawn acquires a see-through bullet-hole punched through her stomach, matters get out of hand. Opulent display takes over, and any corrosive satire lurking in the script (let alone wit worthy of Noel Coward) is swamped. Must all Hollywood "fun" movies nowadays end with bloated, frenzied, interminable finales? It seems so.

Hawn and, particularly, Streep relish their unconventional roles; Streep even gets to sing and shake a leg in a deliberately dreadful musi-cal version of Sweet Bird of Youth. Rossellini, naked from the waist up bar elaborate jewellery, purts with mystery, while Willis, far less obnoxious than usual, lets himself be upstaged as the hapless plastic surgeon who is not beyond spraypainting his clients. There are sharp comic moments in this bizarre, somewhat cruel, entertainment, and some ground-breaking technical effects. But laughter ultimately dies on the lips, killed by the old enemy: Hollywood excess.

Death Becomes Her, Empire, PG This Is My Life, MGM Tottenham Court Road and Screen on the Hill, 12 Slacker, Metro, 15

Thousand Pieces of Gold, NFT Electric Moon, MGM Panton Street, 15

Heartburn and When Harry Met Sally, dubiously dubbed the new Dorothy Parker for her acidic outlook on life. This marks her directing debut. he film's heroine, a standup comedienne plucked from a daytime store job in New York to the bright lights of television and Las Vegas,

The laughs on offer in This Is

My Life come gift-wrapped with

tears. Now the enemy is Hollywood

schmaltz, even though the movie

hails from Nora Ephron, author of

seems abrasive enough in theory. She makes jokes about death. She wears garish polka-dot dresses to match her name. Dottie. She is played, moreover, by husky-voiced Julie Kavner, topping the bill after delicious supporting roles (recently for Woody Állen).

But Ephron's script, written with ber sister Delia and adapted from a novel by Meg Wolitzer, never lets Dottie rip. For this comedy has an issue to tote. Dottie is a single parent, a working mother who spends months away from her two children just when the eldest suffers severe teenage angst. Goodbye jokes; hello tantrums, sour faces, a failed trip to find a lost father, and a gruelling succession of tearful hugs.

If characters and situations were drawn with bolder strokes, the family's emotional outpourings might be more palatable. Ephron directs with modest skill, and Samantha Mathis works especially hard as the introverted elder child. but Dottie's family still live in fantasy land. Success, when it comes, is immediate and huge. Mom may be gone, but there are wonderful

It is also a world with no men of consequence: apart from being given the peculiar habit of eating paper, Dan Aykroyd (Dottie's agent and lover) just seems a lump in a v-necked pullover. Is this bad writing, or Ephron's revenge for decades of films which treated women as paper dolls?

baby-sitters on every corner.

No Hollywood tinsel affects Slacker. This is extremely lowbudget, out-on-a-limb cinema from a new, self-taught film-maker, Richard Linklater. There is no plot: the camera simply tracks the progress of some 100 young residents from the college town of Austin, Texas, idling away the day with fanciful talk about alternative realities, UFOs, anarchists, Madonna's pap smear (on sale, in a bottle), movies and television anything but work. These are the "slackers", college drop-outs and

graduates, suspended in inertia. When someone apologises for being late, she is told, "That's OK, time doesn't exist." Linklater attempts to duplicate the vacuum with a camera that drifts from one oddball to the next as they cross paths in Austin's streets or coffee bars. Inevitably, this results in bald, boring patches. Yet there are juicy quirks along the way; and Linklater's experiment captures aimless youth in a fashion impossible when

American movies play safe.

Cliches bounce back in documentary-maker Nancy Kelly's first feature Thousand Pieces of Gold (at the National Film Theatre for eight performances only), a Gold Rush tale that aims to shed light on the Chinese immigrant experience, but progressively droops to the shallow level of a quality American television movie. We begin with subtitles, as Lalu, a feisty Chinese girl, is sold to a marriage broker and lands in a tiny Idaho mining town, where the prospectors wear six-inch whiskers and permanent leers. Once Anne Makepeace's script descends into English, the on a toilet?

dialogue grows bobnailed boots.

Three men lay claim to Lalu: a heartless Chinese saloonkeeper who legally owns her, a gentle mule-skinner who loves her, and the town's brooding outcast, who stands up for her rights. Guided by Kelly, Rosalind Chao, Chris Cooper and the cast attack the material with more feeling than it deserves.

The photography is rayishing: but the golden vistas only push the film further towards romantic mush.

More disappointment in Pradip Krishen's Anglo-Indian film Elec-tric Moon. Gullible Western tour-ists gather in a jungle lodge in central India, where the lodge's owners, an impoverished royal family, spoon-feed them a phoney version of life in the wild. This should have been a spicy satire. Arundhati Roy's script scores a few points, but all major characters prove dislikable. The plot drags, and Krishen indulges in distracting shots. A bearer eagerly displaying wounds received from a maneating tiger is one thing; but why show the lodge manager perched



TOMORROW Take your partners: song

and dance goes centrestage as the National Theatre, with backing from Cameron Mackintosh, prepares a new production of the musical Carousel

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### How to treat material with all Dew consideration

JEREMY ISAACS's rallying calls to his troops at the Royal Opera House, not quite Henry V in rhetorical quality, have nevertheless raised a few wry smiles among the beleaguered Covent Garden workers. At his last mass meeting, the general director admitted that the unloved production of Les Huguénots, seen at Covent Garden last year, had been burnt John Dew's weird staging was rubbished by critics before an orchestral dispute mercifully cut short its run.

Questioned about the financial prudence of destroying a new production after such a short life, Isaacs admitted that he had been advised that "it was more economic: there is so little storage space". John Dew's production of La Juive in May has already been cancelled.

 MORE laurels for Steven Isser. lis, the young British cellist who recently made John Tavener's mystical cello concerto, The Protecting Veil, the most unlikely chart success of the year. He has won the \$10,000 Piatigorsky Artist Award, administered by the New England Conservatory in honour of the great Russian cellist Gregor Piatigorsky. He will also gate the American premiere of The Protecting Vell at Cameric Hab and April. "I am thrilled, since I was

lucky enough to meet and play for Piatigorsky several times in his last years," says Isserlis, whose plan to study with Piatigorsky was cut short by the latter's death in

### **Backing Bristol**

BRITAIN's oldest working theatre, the Bristol Old Vic, is to be among the first to benefit from the The-

### **ARTS BRIEFING**

atres Restoration Fund. It will receive £175,000 towards refurbishment, provided that additional local funding matches half this amount. That will come from the Bristol and West Building Society. The TRF, established earlier this year, is funded partly by the Treasury and partly by the Wolfson Foundation and Family Charitable

• "THE world's biggest first night" will take place on October 16, 1993, when more than 700

specially commissioned from Peter Whelan. The event is the BT Biennial, funded by the phone company to the tune of £100,000, and involving members of the Little Theatre Guild of Great Britain. It was inaugurated last year with John Godber's Happy Families. Whelan, born in 1931, currently has his "who killed Christopher Marlowe?" play, The School of Night, in the Royal Shakespeare Company repertoire at Stratford. His BT play will be called Shakespeare's Country.

### Last chance . . .

PROMENADERS who witnessed Mike Westbrook's spirited assault on the works of Rossini this summer will recall the delicately sculpted contribution of the saxophonist Chris Biscoe. A key member of Westbrook's various bands over many years, Biscoe is on the road with his own improvising quartet, Full Monte: Tony Marsh on drums, Marcio Mattos on bass and Brian Godding on guitar. The tour ends with dates at the Hobbit Bar, Southampton (0703 232591) tonight; South Hill Park, Bracknell (0344 484123) tomorrow: Jazz Rumours, London N16 (071-254 6198) Saturday and the Albert, Bristol (0272 661968) on Sunday.



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**LONDON** THE TEMPEST: Japanese director Yuko Niragawa brings his thinling production of Shakespeare's play (seen at Edinburgh in 1998) to the London sleep for four performances. The player processing the Edinburgh in the London sleep for four performances. The play is presented in the distinctive, alytised form of Noth, the tradeportal dapanese drama with dance and song, evolved from Stunto rites. Performed n Japanese Barbican, Säl: Street, EC2 (071-638-8891). Tonight-Sat, 7.15pm, mat Sat.

GRACE: Anna Massey and James Laurenson in a new Doug Lucie serious comedy. Should an idylic corner of England be sold to American

evangelists? Hampstead, Swes Cottage Centre, NW3 (071-722-9224) Previous from longist, 8pm, opens Dec 9, 7pm. LES ARTS FLORISSANTS: Americar William Chrishe and his French-based arisemble, one of the most consistently evoling early music groups, make a return to the South Bank with an evening of vocal music by Monteverdi. Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, \$1 (071-928 890); 7 45pm.

MADAMA BUTTERFLY: Nurs Esperi's 1987 Scottish Opera staging of Sutterfly is restaged at the Royal Opera. Yoko Watanabe makes an ideal Opera, Youto watanabe makes an ocea heroma, with linst-rate support from the cast. Sian Edwards, broadening her operatic expension before taking up her appointment as music director at ENO ned year, conducts.

El ANNIE GET YOUR GUN: trang Berlin's pre-terranst musical is no model for a Ninete's women but the songs are simply terrific Prince of Wales, Covertry Street, W1 (071-839 5987) Tues-Sat, 7 30pm, mats Thurs, Sat, Sun. 3pm. 160mins.

El ASSASSINS: Sonchem's strarp and successful musical explores the impulse that drives no hopers to fell Amencan Presidents Dorumar Warehouse, Eartham Street, WC2 (071-867 1150), Mon-Sat, 7 30pm, mats Thurs, Sat. 3pm. 105mms

☐ HAY PEVER: Very funny performances (not always where you expect) in Coward's excellent corned Albery, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (07) 867 1115), Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats, Thurs, Sat, 3pm, 150mms ET IT RUNS IN THE FAMILY: Larks in the hospital common room, matron outraged; doctors furnimosed. Ray

Cooney tarce with loss of laughs.

Playhouse, Northumberland Avenue,
WC2 (071-839 4401) Mon-Fn, 8pm, Sat 8 30pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 5.30pm. AN IDEAL HUSBAND: Anna Carterel, Hannah Gordon and Martin Shaw in Wilde's "insider dealing" melodrama. Some dated assumptions

but stylishly dons. Globe, Shaltesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5065), Mon-Sat, 7 45pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Set, 4pm, 165mins. ☐ JUNE MOON: Naive songwater

conquest 7in Pan Alley. Delightful comedy by Ring Lardner and George S. Kaufman Fine cast led by Adam Godley and Frank Lazarus. Vaurdeville, The Strand, WC2 (071-836 9987) Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mat Sat, 3pm. KISS OF THE SPIDER WOMAN:

Tremendously glossy production of the Kander & Ebb musical it coarsens the values of Manuel Purg's novel but Chita Rivera makes a striking vering Shafteebury, Shaftesbury Avenue, WC2 (071-379 5399) Mon-Set, 8pm, mats Wed, Set, 3pm 160mms. N LOST IN YONKERS: Territo performance by Rosemery Harris in a Neil Smon cornedy more weighty than usual. Maureen Lipman gives good usub de a boow aunt value as a loopy aunt. Strand, Aldwych, WC2 (071-930 8900). Mon-Sal, 7 30pm, mars Wed, Sat,

NACBETH/THE TEMPEST: The

NEW RELEASES BLADE RUNNER (15) The improved BLADE HUNNER (15) The improved "director's cur" of Rolley Scoti's influential vision of a dark, hellish LA. infested with rebel androids. Harmson Ford, Rutger Hauer. MGM Shaffaebury Avenue (071-836 8279/379 7025) Screen on the Green 1071-226 35201.

OF MICE AND MEN (PG): ◆ OF MICE AND MEN (PG):
Siembeck's classic Depression tale of Inendation and emocence. John Maikowch as the slow-witted Lemms; chector Gary Sinse as his protector.
Simple, sturdy and moving Curaon West End (071-439 4805) MGM Throadero (071-434 0031) UCI Whiteleys (071-792 3332)

THE WATERDANCE (15) Trouble and hin is a male rehabilitation word. Candid, humorous, keenly acted (Enc Stotz, William Forsythe, Wesley Singles) Written by paraplegic Heal Jimmez, who directs with Michael Steinberg, MGM Trocadera (071-434 0031) Plaza (071-497 9999)

CURRENT

 THE CRYING GAME (18) IRA qurman becomes obsessed with a hostage's grillnend. Botd, powerful Neil Jordan film that falters at the closo Curzon Phoenia (071-340 9661) MGM Fulham Road (071-370 2636) MGM Haymarket (071-839 1527) ♦ HUSBANDS AND WIVES (15).

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lacerating tale of collepsing New York marriages, Stars Allen, Mila Farrow, Judy Davis, Liam Neeson, Judette Lawis Might Paraton Street (171-930 0631) Minema (071-235 425) Odeon Miczzantine (0426 915663) Remoir (071-837 8402) Screen on Baker Street (1920) Street (071-935 2772).

◆ THE LAST OF THE MOHICANS (13): Romance and adventure in the American colonies with frontiersman banel Day-Lewis Shallow version of the classic novel, director Michael Mann. With Madelene Stows, Russell Means. MGM Fulham Road (071-370 2636) MGM Haymarket (071-339 1527) MGM Shaftnetury Avenure (071-339 Shaftaebury Avenue (071-836 6279/379 7025) MGM Trocadero (071-

Trouville brings the first exectsive showing in Britain for many years Burreti Collection, Polick Country Park (041-649 7151) Mon-Sat, 10an Spm, Sun, 2-5pm, until Feb 28

MANCHESTER: Karl Anton Orchestra in a programme dominated by songs from Mahler's tolk-song cycle Des Knaben Wunderhorn (featuring soprano Cornella Kallisch who makes soprano Cornela Kanskri man in-her debut with the orchestra). The concert opens with Weber's operation overlure Der Freischutz and closes w Chumann's Second Symphony.

COCPORD: Music at Oxford's Christmas Festival gets underway with the Brandenburg Consort performing Corell's Christmas Concerto and Scarlati's Cantate postonale per la natività et nostra signore (Sea) Christio. Tomorrow there is a concert of carolis by British, Warlook and Walton in Christ Church Carladeril by the cathedral's char (Sprn). The festival continues until December 21 Shaldonian Theatire, Broad Street

SCAREORIOUGH: Alen Ayoldoum's children's show, My Very Own Story, gives the hero not just one lookalite, but two: not a double but a trable, and they all tangle in each other's lives. Stephen Joseph Theetre in the Rousel (1723 370541). Open Jonight, Sore: then in reportroy with Charles. 6pm; then in repertory with Charle Thomas's Phince on a White Bits.

### THEATRE GUIDE

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TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arta and entertainment compiled by Karl Knight

ART FROM ABOVE: in terms of the

current "Tender is the North" feative Scandinavian arts. The show in a se of temporary gallenes in the new Shad Thames development at Butler's Whart straddles the arts and crafts, including

such powerful painters as Tolli, a landscapist on the verge of abstract the metal sculptors Gudrun Nielsen

(who has also done a major piece outside the nearby Design Museum) and Skulina Karlansdothr, and the extraordinary stone-carver, Pall

Shed Themes Galleries, Butler's Whart, SE1. Delty, 10.30em-5.30pm, until Dec 10

GLASGOW: BOUDIN AT TROUVELLE: As well as playing a vital role in encouraging the teenege Monet to forsake carcistare for painting, Boudin was an important precurgor of the Impressionists, and a distinguished figure in his own right. Boudin at

REGIONAL

unstuck in both these fidgety productions, though the Scottish one, with Tony Haygarth in the lead, has more to commend it. Royelty, Portugal Street (off Kingsway), WC2 (071-494 5020). Macbeth . lonight-Sat, 7.30pm, mat today, 2.30pm, 130mins.

MURIDER BY MISADVENTURE: Gerald Harper and William Gaunt play critre writers who fall out and pit they writed wits against each other, run-of-the will there.

me-mai pinaer. Wateshall, Whisehall, SW1 (071-867 1119) Mon-Fri, Spm, Sat, 8.30pm; mars Wed, 2.30pm, Sat, 5.30pm. 120mins. N CUR SONG: Pater O'Toole in Keith Wearhouse's play about a menopausal male's infatuation with a young woman. Neatly done though we only hear the man's point of view. Apollo, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5070). Mon-Fri, 8.15pm, Set, Spm and 8 45pm. 135mins.

PYGMALION: Alan How Frances Berber in a Howard Devices production that some admire greatly while others feel subordinates the text to a claver design. National (Olivier), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight-Set, 7.15pm, mat today, Sat, 2pm. 185mins.

RADIO TIMES: Tony Slattery at a Linkship Install Indian 8pm, mais Thurs, 2.30pm, Sai, 4.30pm, 150mms

☐ THE RAPE OF TAMAR: Theatre Manoeuvres' widy staged and spnghily version of Tirso de Moline's account of moest in the House of Devid. Lyric Studio Hammersmith Kinn Lyric Studio Hammersmith, King Street, W6 (081-741 8701) Mon-Set, 80m, mat Sat. 4.30cm, 145mats. IN THE RISE AND FALL OF LITTLE Horrocks in Jim Cartwinght's play about a shy girl escaping her raucous mother.

Ingenious but incredible Aldwych, Aldwych, WC2 (071-836 6404). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm.

THREE BIRDS ALIGHTING ON A FIELD: Harriet Waiter perfect again in revival of this subtle, comic state-ofthe-nation play, set in a world of shifting values and plummeting art-prices.

Royal Court, Sloane Square, SW1
(071-730 1745). Mon-Set, Bpm, mai Set,

TRAVELS WITH MY AUNT: Smon Cadell, John Wells, Richard Kane, Christopher Gee play at 25 parts, male and female, in Gliec Heregal's marvellous adaptation of Graham marverous guapasson or Granam Greene's novel. Wysodhem's, Channg Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1116), Mon-Fn, Sprn, Sst, 8 15pm, mats Wad, 3pm, Sst, 5pm. 140mins.

☐ WEXTORD TRILOGY: Billy Roche's affectionate, sad, comic thiogy (separate plays, commedied in mood). Poor Beast in the Rism: a man who took a finenc's wise off to England returns after ten

yeers.
Bush, Shepherds Bush Green, W12
(081-743 3368). Tonight, Spm;
tomorrow. Bushy, Spm; Set, Complete trilogy, 1pm.
LONG RUNNERS: [] Blood

Eurothern: Phoenix (771-887 1044)

☐ Buddy: Victoria Palace (071-834 1317) ... ☐ Carmen Jones: Old Vic (071-828 7816) ... ☐ Catts: New London (071-805 0072) ... ☐ The Complete Works of William London (071-405 0072)... The Complete Works of William Stafespeare (Abridged): Aris Theatre (071-836 2132)... Danceling at Lughneses Garrick (071-494 5085)... Don't Dress for Dispect Duchess (071-494 5075)... The Garys Named Mose: Lynic (071-494 5045)... Five Garys Ambassadors (071-496 6111)... If Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoett Paladium (071-494 5037)... Me and My Gárt Adelohi (071-496 7811)... Les Mairables: Paiace (071-434 0909)... If Miles Safgon: Theatre Royal, Druy Lana (071-494 5030)... If The Mousetrap: St. Matter's (071-836 1443)... If The

there may be scores more on the other islands. Apollo Victoria (071-828 6685)

The Woman in Black Fortune (071-836 2238).

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434 0031) UCI Whiteleys (071-792

3332).

PETER'S FRIIENDS (15). College pals meet up after a decade for a gib meture of laughter and tears. Kerneth branagh directs Erme Thompson, Stephan Fry, Rita Riucher and himself Empire (071-357 9999) MGM Chelsee (071-352 9096) MGM Tottenfsen Court Rued (071-636 6148) MGM Trocadero (071-434 0031) Odeon. Kenaington (0426 914666) UCI Whiteleys (071-732 3332).

◆ SINGLE WHITE FEMALE (18): New roommate proves a crackpor. Nicely atmospheric, but the crudities mount. director, Barber Schroeder. GIU Chi BB (071-352 5096) Odeons: Kensington (0426 914666) Leleaster Square (0426 915683) UCI Whiteleys (071-792 3332)

◆ SISTER ACT (PG) Whoool ♦ SISTER ACT (PG) Whoopl Goldberg hides out in a convent. Continued but disamming, warm-hearted cornedy. Maggie Smith as the Mother Superior. Director, Emite Articlino. MGM Balker Street (071-935 9772) MGM Oxford Street (071-936 9310) MGM Chelasaa (071-935 9390) Odeons: Kensington (0426 914695) Marble Arch (0426 914501) West End (0426 915574) UCI Whiteleys (071-792 3332).

 STRICTLY BALLROOM (PG). One dancer's light to dely the rules of the Australian Ballroom Dancing Federation. Ebulliert, Introduciating debut by director Baz Luhrmann. With Paul. by drescot isst\_turmrann wen Paul Mercuro, Tara Monce MGM Chelses (071-352 5096) MGM Oxford Street (071-356 0310) Odeons Kensington (0426 914668) West End (0426 915574) Reneir (071-837 8402) UCI Whiteleys (071-792 3332).

TWIN PEAKS: FIRE WALK WITH ME
(18): David Lynch's distillusible prequel
to the cult television sares, with Sheryl
Lee as the resumpted Laura Paimer Less as ure resupercised Laura Primer Camden Plaza (071-485 2443) Gate (071-727 4043) Lumière (071-836 0691) MGM Futhern Road (071-370 2635) MGM Tottenham Court Road (071-635 6148)

### THEATRE: Benedict Nightingale at a whiskery melodrama fitfully reved

# Old lines, subject to point failure

The Ghost Train Lyric. Hammersmith

I HAVE a residual affection for Arnold Ridley's melodrama, remembering as I do how my spine iced up as I listened to it spookily unfolding on "Saturday Night Theatre". Perhaps steam radio is the best place for a play at whose climax a train puffs through a station, brakes screeching and whistle wailing, on its way to the same watery tomb into which it plunged 20 years before; and perhaps another over-imaginative 12year-old should be reviewing it now. Transposed across the decades to a solid-looking stage, it left my backbone at its usual 98.6 degrees, as I suspect it did those of the middle-aged critics

Maybe John Adams and his cast could do more to keep the tension up and the temperature down. The selfconsciously ghostly music that wings across Roger Butlin's waiting-room set at dimaxes is not, after all, calculated to make those climaxes more alarming. At times the production veers awkwardly between realism and period spoof. Yet how much can be done with a play as dated as those television ads in which black-and-white blimps talk up a phone system with mouths crammed with invisible pebbles?

Wives are "old girls", as in "I say, old girl, this is a business, isn't it?" Men are old beans", and, when some bounder or blighter bothers them, come out with "dammit, sir, haven't you any sense of decency?" Proles are "my man" and inclined morosely to mutter in deep Mummerset: "baint no cars round 'ere", "baint no 'ouses round 'ere", "baint nothing nowhere nohow", that sort of thing.

This last category is represented at the Lyric by Bill Oddie, a troglodyte station-master faced with a roomful of passengers with no connection until

THE title is a Filipino word for a

paradise that has been lost but to which

people hope to return. It may not be the

only Filipino word for this, since we are

told that 21 ethnic groups exist on the

island of Mindanao, where Kaliwat

Theatre Collective comes from. and



Figures from the past (left to right) Richard Stirling, Kate Hardie and Aden Gille

next morning. The first act mostly consists of his awful warnings ("they do say, to look upon the ghost train means death") and their refusal to tramp through the rain to a far-off farm. Unluckity, since he has a certain stumpy charisma. Oddie does not survive into Act II, which brings onstage a ghost-obsessed madwoman pursued by two gentlemen. If you are looking for clues, note their impeccable evening dress: it suggests either that the costume department does not know its job or that they have not walked five miles through the mire, as they daim.

I suppose I should not reveal anything more, not even that the villains turn out to be Rupert D'Alvarez of Barcelona, Otto Schmatz of Hamburg and (oddly, since a Bolshevik conspiracy is involved) Chicago Sal. But Ridley's plot is not exactly unpredictable. You will be on the right lines if you wonder if anybody but Peter Wirnsey in disguise could play a Bertie Wooster role as fatuously as Aden Gillett does. Again, do not worry about the fate of the financially beset honeymooners played by Richard Stirling and Kate Hardie, or about the troubled

marriage of Owen trenman and Catherine Russell. In \$27, when the play was written, a wildyho called her husband domineering leeded only to be reminded of her vullerability to be reconciled to him.

As for the ghost trainitself — well,

almost all that can be dine with light and sound is dore. Mybe it is, as someone says, "as eal ashe Plymouth Express". But on/the lat occasion I travelled from Plynouth he train was two hours late aid, by he time we reached London eventling seemed unreal. Significant perhaps?

## Full of Filipino fables

Lemlunay

passing but the oth-

ers come well to the fore in this pleasantly staged introduction to a generally harsh way of life. Oxfam is presenting the show as part

An atlas shows the Philippines resembling two halves of an oval fruit that has been pulled apart, scattering large seeds across the space between. introductory greetings: a dozen ways of Luzon, with the capital Manila, is the saying "Hallo" and an almosi Christnorthern half; Mindanao the southern mas pantomime exercise in audience one, and it appears to contain the reply, calling out the welcome that goes familiar mix of volcano, poverty, a "Aa, aa-a-aa, oo-oo" with the lips politely covered by the hand. That is because this particular ethnic group

threatening military and exotic musical instruments. Eruptions are mentioned only in

Riverside Studios large or small, suspended or lying on a table, all have a protruding central boss of its golden jubilee celebrations. The first section is taken up with

of the vibrations.

that is gently smacked with a small truncheon while the other hand grips

the neck of the boss to govern the extent In the show's second part, two genial refugees tell, in English, of the unplanned fun to be found in life at the displacement camps — a response that could come across as frightful pander-

ing to the demands of entertainment

were it not that the grim truths of

mouth to strangers.

The exotic gongs,

corruption and want are never far from the tales they tel. One of these is a version of the tw mothers bulling at a child (audience articipation required) to reveal who is he true mother. Brecht used his fable, and in his

Marxist period hight have picked up the myth that fems the show's closing section. A young warrior arrives at a village and expains to the peasants that they are bekward and their land is in a state of ecay. What is striking about the concision is that the man is shown to be wring. As always, it is war and greed that

cause the distress. But a revolutionary new system i not the answer. That itself is a revolution.

JEEMY KINGSTON

### TELEVISION REVIEW

## Better brushed out?

ONE of the major bird artists of the early 19th century, P. J. Selby, used to another medium. But it did not work out quite like that. Weber just got in the draw from skins - and his butler would skin the birds for him. It is a far cry from Selby to the present-day German wildlife artist Wolfgang Weber, whose activities were the subject of last night's Survival Special: A Brush

with Nature (ITV).
We saw Weber stalking Nepalese tigers, retreating slowly from Alaskan brown bears and going down 150 feet on a rope into a cave of Mexican bats, pen in hand all the way. He specialises in noting down the movements of animals and birds from life, and is always putting himself at risk to get as close as he can to them. Then he paints watercolour pictures from his sketches, playing loud Beethoven to help recreate the excitement he felt out in the field.

The programme was made by an outstanding wildlife film-maker, Dieter Plage, as a tribute to Weber, artist in

way of shots of the animals. He seemed a brave, agreeable man, but what he was doing just was not very interesting. while the animals were riveting. And who was bringing us the animals? The cameraman.

does not care to show the inside of the

Even Weber's skill at creating the illusion of movement in his pictures was completely overshadowed by the sight of the animals actually in action the bears catching salmon, a mountain lion pursuing a white hare in the snow, a falcon stooping on the bats as they came out of the cave. There were some delightful shots of sea-lions climbing over Weber on a Galapagos beach, until the head of the harem came out of the sea to round them up but what was Weber here but a prop?

As for Weber's finished paintings, though they were full of energy, to my his admiration for Weber wholly mind they were overdramatic and sincere. Nevertheless A Brush with garish. The colour was also used to Nature ended up as much more of a



Endgame: wildlife artist Wolfgang Weber (right forground) at work

produce a highlighting effect, fur vibrating with golden light, waterfalls luminously blue and white, brightness wildlife painter. Ben in the shots that displayed Weber courage, you could and shadow always in the strongest

contrast. No doubt Plage's motives were pure, not forget that the cameraman was standing behind im for even in front of him, recording is expression) as the tiger stared at thei both.

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# Can Booker discover a Tolstoy?

Russia now has its own version of the Booker prize. Guy Chazan asks whether

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writer gets permission from the Security Ministry to spend his summer holidays in a German concentration camp. While there he falls in love with a two-headed female prison guard. Now read on.

This is the start of A Month in Dachau by Vladimir Sorokin, Moscow's leading literary hooli-gan, and one of the six writers shortlisted for the first Russian Booker prize, to be announced next Tuesday. Dreamed up by Sir Michael Caine, the chairman of Booker, as a way of reviving the great traditions of Russian literature, the prize has hit Russia at a critical stage in its cultural history. The grotesque excesses of Sorokin are only one symptom of the growing pains.

The Booker jury — Russian critic Alla Latynina. English professor

John Bayley, Russian novelist Andrei Sitov, the American publisher Ellendea Proffer and emigré Russian writer Andrei Sinyavsky — faced a gargantuan task. sifting through 53 works put forward by 37 nominators from Russia. America. England and Is-

rael. Why has the event caused such the ephemera. Critical judgment a hubbub among Russia's literary cognoscenti? Well, there is the money: to impecunious Russian intellectuals a £10,000 prize seems a fortune, and a win will also provide access to publishers, translators and markets the average Russian writer can only dream of.

In fact the Booker story is in some ways an allegory of Russia's current plight. A once-mighty superpower relies on hand-outs from former enemies to survive an economic crisis; and Russian literature, bereft of state support, is forced to accept cultural altruism" from foreign patrons. It is a humiliating climbdown, but in some ways a welcome one. The Booker comes at a time when the old state prizes. always more a reward for ideological rectitude than literary merit, are

seen as devalued and discredited. The six shortlisted candidates reveal an extraordinarily vigorous and edectic literary scene. There is everything here a plundering of Russia's literary heritage, and often hold attempts to invent a new style. But what links the writers is their

wholesale rejection of socialist real ism, the official dogma that dominated art under communism. "Russian literature was made optimistic by violent means," says one shortlisted writer. Alexander of authenticity. Since glasnost, writers have been trying to relearn and recover that elusive, authentic voice.

The post-perestroika writer Lyudmila Petrushevskaya, represented on the Booker shortlist with her story The Time: Night, staked her claim to fame with a bleak and brutal vision of Russian domestic life, which turned the sunny optimism of the old dogma inside out. In Petrushevskaya's overcrowded Moscow flats, natural family ties break down and are replaced by treachery, fear and mutual disgust. But the vision is already beginning to lose its appeal. "This was a brave

trumpeting the spirituality of the new Soviet man," Latynina. now tastes are changing." Glasnost lit the

fuse that caused an explosion in Russian literature, and critics are only now picking through the debris, separating the nuggets from

was initially blinded by the joy at being able to read so many previously banned books. Now, readers are fussier. The first wave of angry historical novels about Stalin's crimes, and the ensuing tide of Petrushevskian masochism, has been superseded by a more traditional prose, epitomised by the work of another Booker candidate, Mark Kharitonov.

"His prose is intelligent, calm and sophisticated." says critic Alexander Arkhangelsky. "He is not over-excited, he does not denounce Kharitonov's novel. Lines of Fate or Milashevich's Trunk, is an intensely literary work about a scholar researching a dissertation on a little known turn-of-the-century writer. Russian readers can identify the writer as the philosopher Vasily Rozanov, and this donnishness has attracted critics who see traces of a

new and refreshing elitism. The enthusiasm for Kharitonov is symptomatic of the stratification of tastes now taking place in Russia. "It is dividing up into an elite reading public and a mass readership," says John Crowfoot. English translator who organised the Russian end of the Booker. "Literature is becoming the pursuit of intellectuals." Meanwhile, the average reader

browses at subway bookstands, scanning the Agatha Christies, the sewing patterns and dog-owner manuals, the science fiction and the soft porn. There is no home-grown mass literature. The most popular brand — crime fiction — is an imported genre. Russia's fastidious writers seem unable to cater for popular tastes, to accept the dictates of the market and churn out commercially viable pulp fiction.

ritics opine that of Russia's 3,000 publishing houses, only about 15 publish serious literature. Most of the small companies that when Russia's reform government lifted price controls, and the cost of paper and printing rocketed. Russia's prestigious "thick journals". during the perestroika years the main disseminators of long-suppressed emigré and non-conformist literature, have seen circulations

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The age of the great writer-cummoralist with mass appeal is over. Not only is the old Tolstoyan tradition of writer as prophet coming to an end; so is the glasnost age, when writers hogged the limelight as self-appointed defenders of the new freedoms. Politics

and literature are now disengaged. Hence the macabre extravagance of Vladimir Sorokin, who proudly declares that politics, ethics and morality have no place in his work. His fascination with fascist and Stalinist aesthetics repels many, yet he has a loyal following among Moscow's hip youth. A raffish dandy with a Mephistophelian beard. Sorokin does not mourn the dying myth of the Russian writer. His McEwan-esque stories delight in foiling the reader's expectations of a moral resolution, offering

instead a string of sick punchlines. prived of any moral stature, the post-Soviet writer has turned into that great Russian literary archetype: the superfluous man. "The old reader is distracted, the new one has not appeared yet," he said in a recent interview. "And it will take a long time for the present generation to tire of Stock Exchange news and James Bond novels, and start to want literature. At the moment, the writer just looks silly. It is not his time, no-one needs him." One suspects that not even a Booker Prize can put that right.

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celebrating ten years of sales, reports that the market for good antiquarian books and prints remains buoyant, despite the fall in value of paintings and porcespeare give "an irritating sugges- tured 80 engravings by the 18th-

bidding" from rival Italian dealers the 18 lots more than doubled their estimates to fetch £20,000. NEXT month sees the appearance from Virgin of Let Me Take

century Venetian Francesco Bartolozzi. Thanks to "spirited

You Down, a rake through the mind of Mark Chapman, the man who shot John Lennon. It follows the same publisher's The Red Ripper: Inside the Mind of Russia's Most Brutal Serial Killer. Murders are perhaps the only famous people not already religious of history and Russia's Marchaeles. subjects of biography. But who commissions this stuff? Who reads it? Who needs it?

JIM MCCUE Day left when she went away, well.

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She got up and went away Should she not have? Not have what? Got up and gone away.

Yes, I think she should have Because it was getting darker. Getting what? Darker. Well, There was still some

And it was the last time she would have been able ... Able? ... to get up and go away. It was the last time the very last time for After that she could not

Have got up and gone away any more.

Enough to see the way.

Printed here for the first time, "She got up and went away" is one of 15 typescript poems by Stevie Smith (left) to be included in a Sotheby's sale on behalf of the London Library on December 15, as part of the library's 150th anniversary.

# Two nights of passion and bliss

assenet's Esclarmonde is an opera dear to the hearts of the composer's admirers, if only for the reason that it is so seldom performed. This has little to do with its intrinsic merit. It boasts one of Massenet's most shamelessly erotic love duets and much colourful action, deftly dispatched in music whose vigour and pace might surprise those who know only Manon and

No, the main reason for Esclarmonde's rarity is that Massenet wrote it for the Californian soprano Sybil Sanderson, who not only had the susceptible composer at her feet in 1889 but also had a remarkably extended upper register — up to top G, or "Sol Eiffel" as the Parisians affectionately dubbed it. In our day only Joan Sutherland has tackled it, and she left it until perhaps a little late in her career - early 1980s - 10 portray a teenage Byzantine Princess who uses her magic powers to transport the man of

The French have become

work. The company he leads, the Frankfurt Ballet, has a second home in Paris's Châtelet theatre, where it app-

ears for two seasons every year.

latest triple bill there, Forsythe

gave his audience what they

expected: fierce post-classi-

cism, with extreme shapes,

tilted balances and fast, sharp

footwork. But with the closing.

new piece. As a Garden in this Setting, they found another

Forsythe, atmospheric, bucol-

Here indolence replaced

driving activity: his tightly

composed group patterns dis-

integrated into a stage popu-

ic, almost poetic.

For the first two thirds of his

ravenous amateurs of

William Forsythe's

Rodney Milnes seizes the chance to see a rarely staged opera by Massenet -- twice



No expense spared: Lorenzo Mariani's Turin staging

her choice, the Frankish knight Roland, to an Alcinastyle magic island for the sort of nights of bliss to which only the French language can do justice. When he returns to his Saracen-bashing duties, she materialises each night to keep him on the boil.

The prospect of two produc-

tions of Esclarmonde opening in Europe within days of each proved impossible to resist: the transfer of the St Etienne Massenet Festival version to the Opéra Comique was followed by a brand-new staging, the first ever in Italy. to open the season at the Teatro Regio in Turin.

trating soprano coped efficiently with the excursions above the stave. Her Roland was the Marseilles tenor Luca Lombardi; he has a good, Thill-like ring to his tone but is a bit of a stick on stage. Another reason for Esclarmonde's rarity lies in its demand for stage spectacle. Claude d'Anna's economy production simply ducked this: a permanent set, magic effects skimped, the exiguous St Etienne chorus confined

mainly to the (by chance empty) stalls area. But Turin

Opera Comique was compro-

strike. Unlike the character she was portraying, the prima donna failed to materialise,

and despite a 45-minute delay

the first act played to an

audience of about 50. The

piece was decently, perhaps

too decently, conducted by Patrick Fournillier. But it was

more than decently sung. The

co-Esclarmonde (leading roles were double cast) was Denia

Mazzola, and her steely, pene-

hurled a great deal of money at Lorenzo Mariani's staging. The opening night at the mised by a selective Metro Magic islands rose and fell, a full complement of Naiads and Dryads capered, the huge chorus thundered, and there were almost as many magic objects flying through the heavens as in Philip Glass's New York Voyage. Pasquale Grossi's sets and costumes were a riot of colour.

Alain Guingal conducted without apology — the love music pulsated with improper lubriciousness - and the opera was sung in comprehensi-ble French. Young Alexan-drina Pendatchanska, the WNO's memorable Gilda. sang the title role; she may not yet command ideal weight of tone, but she has the top and is an exceptionally musical sing-er. Her Roland was Alberto Cupido, not always quite in tune but robust of tone, and Michele Pertusi was an especially fine Emperor. The production soon travels to Palermo; not strictly vaut le voyage, but if you happen to be

**DANCE: PARIS** 

### Forsythe's saga rumbles on

lated by desultory individuals who often just stood about as if deconstructed and dislocated not ballet but contemporary dance, creating a language of virtuoso detail, every segment of the body exploited to its utmost. Only the high tech and oblique manner of treating the design remained familiar. A television screen showed images of trees, the sky, water. Thom Willems's score overlaid distant melody

tabletops occasionally rolled about the stage, their sound

The piece disconcerted at least one section of spectators. who talked loudly throughout. They had been as quiet as angels, though, during the previous Herman Schmerman, created for New York City Ballet in May. This, not surprisingly, has a strong echo of Balanchine, NYCB's founding father. Forsythe himself has been dubbed the Balanwith birdsong: while wooden chine of the 1990s. The quin-

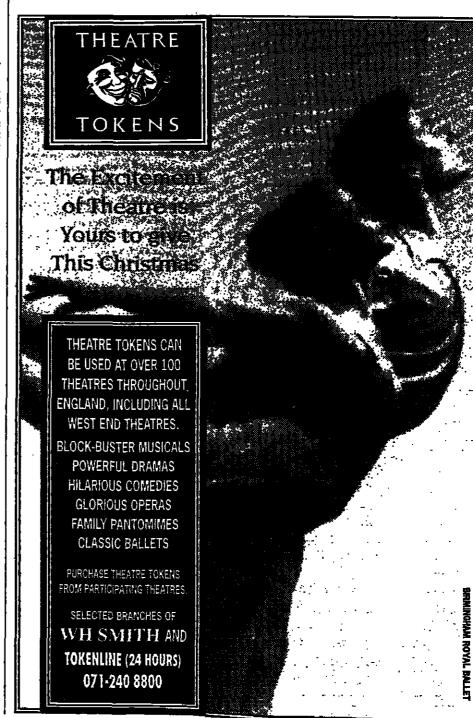
women has, since entering the Frankfurt repertoire, been ex-tended by a playful duet for Francesca Harper and Kevin O'Day. It is fluently put tomanipulate wands.

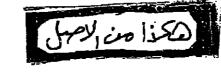
gether, an expert but unexceptional exercise in pure dance.
The remaining item, New Sleep, was also created for another company, the San Francisco Ballet, in 1987. Like the rest of the programme, it has an electronic Willems score, throbbing, thudding, ominously ticking. Tracy-Kai

Maier and Thierry Guiderdoni danced a sensationally constructed, graphic pas de deux; dramatic blocks and lines of dancers moved dangerously across the stage. And then, there were those bits of business (possibly nonsense, possibly not) that often give each piece its individual colour here, a potted plant and three wizard-characters who

New Sleep is wonderful, vintage Forsythe. But with works such as As a Garden in this Setting he shows that he can choreograph in more than one key. And it is this closing piece that lingers in the mind with its quiet, wistful mystery.

NADINE MEISNER





# Three generations of journalism, plus Christmas books on food, business and the arts...

# Press lord and a gentleman

J. W. M. Thompson on a life of William Camrose, head of a Fleet Street dynasty

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**CAMROSE** 

Giant of Fleet Street

By Lord Hartwell

Camrose died in 1964, Harold Nicolson wrote in his diary: 'He showed that one could be a Press Lord and a gentleman. He was an example to the newspaper world, and I am wretched at his death." Sixteen years later, when I went to work at the old Telegraph building in Fleet Street. Camrose was still a powerful presence. His name was often respectfully invoked. His watchful spirit seemed to stalk the corridors.

All that now belongs to the past. The Telegraph papers have new owners, an American bank occupies 135 Fleet Street, and Camrose, for good in 20th-century journalism, is today not much remembered. Indeed, a forgetful professor, writing about press bar-ons recently, could say: "Bearebrook is still the only figure from a comprehensive (he left at 16) to reach the giddy heights. He is living (sic) proof that press barons matter." How very odd to read that in the Sunday Telegraph.
William Berry, later Camrose,

started work as a cub reporter on the Merthyr Times at the age of 13, having been educated at the St David's Primary School (which cost twopence a week) and the Higher Grade school

(which was free). Whereas Beaverbrook, having attained the "giddy heights" by methods which earned his nickname "Beenacrook", thereafter devoted himself to the pursuit of power, Camrose was always a dedicated newspaperman.

A biography of Camrose, therefore, is in essence a slice of newspaper history. Its very publication is a bit of newspaper history, too. since its author. Lord Hartwell, is Camrose's son, and the writing of it has engaged him since the traumatic events which swept away his own control of the Telegraph empire six years ago. This closeness to the subject, combined with an archive of private and business papers, has produced a memorable portrait and many juicy plums of Fleet Street and political lore. The portrait is an admiring one, touched at many points by obvious affection, but as one would expect of the author, it puts truth and accuracy first.

When Camrose took over The Daily Telegraph in 1927, its circulation was a derisory 84,000. He took it well above the million mark. His brilliance showed itself in identifying a huge potential market that was looking for something superior to the Northcliffe type of popular journalism. "We are creating a new public," he said, and he had an exact sense of what that public required.

I have sometimes heard Hartwell say that the "early years" chapters in biographies are usually boring

Viscount and best cut, but this rule does not apply to his own book. The story of Canutose's early struggles gives an engaging picture of cheerful bohemian life in Fleet Street at the beginning of the century. And the Berry family of Merthyr Tydfil was not exactly commonplace.

Camrose was one of three sons of a local estate agent. The others became Lord Buckland and Lord Kemsley respectively, making a probably unique family bag of peerages and they were all strictly self-made men. Camrose worked his way swiftly up the ladder of journalism and publishing, and the younger Kemsley soon joined him in London. Buckland amassed a business fortune in Wales. All became rich, with grand houses, yachts, sons at Eton and so forth.

Like Northcliffe, Camrose found ed his fortune with modest periodicals. The Advertising World was the first, followed by magazines such as Health and Strength and Boxing. A giant photograph shows young Camrose pretending to be a boxing referee for a publicity stunt - a far cry from the stern master of The Daily Telegraph of later years.

But unlike his brother, he never disdained his origins. In later life Kemslev became ridiculously self-important, which irritated and which Hartwell

makes fun of. Of Camrose he writes: "He hated 'self-advertisers' .. anyone meeting him for the first time would have recognised him for a considerable man, but, if perceptive, would have recognised. too, his innate shyness and reserve." Like father, like son.

Camrose was not a political animal, but naturally he was courted by politicians; once, Hartwell tells us, he sprained his ankle turning sharply to avoid Samuel Hoare, whom he detested. His closest political friend was Churchill, and there are interesting glimpses here of their relationship: over Munich for example, or in their more mundane negotiations over the plan to escape Labour's 98 per cent income tax on the earnings

from Churchill's war memoirs.
Others — including Municheers,
Beaverbrook and the first Lord Rothermere — appear in a less kindly light. There is a new and revealing version of how Beaverbrook "diddled" Camrose over the acquisition of the London Evening Standard.

There are also pleasing minor characters like Harold Snoad, who was thrown downstairs by Northcliffe; and there are many good stories. Lord Hartwell has written a delightful book. His next task, surely, must be to write his own memoirs, and so bring the dynastic tale up to date.

J.W.M. Thompson was editor of The Sunday Telegraph, 1976-86.



Lord Camrose (right) in 1936, shown with the politician Oliver Stanley. The Sunday Times was then owned by the Berry family

or most of the 20th century, the British Establishment has been a Jekyll and Hyde affair. Jekyll-Establishment-man is decorous, sensible, broad-minded. Hyde-Establishment-man is secretive, complacent, snobbish, and frivolous - signs treaties without reading them, despises anyone who breaks the rules of the club, and

turns vicious when threatened. Perhaps because of this dual character, the Establishment has an air of mystery and fascination. So one welcomes any illumination on offer - and who better to offer it than Lord Rees-Mogg? Inheritor of medieval wealth, Editor of The Times 1967-81, Chairman of the BBC, Chairman of the Broadcasting Standards Council: Rees-Mogg is the Establishment if anyone is.

At first glance, the Rees-Mogg essays reproduced in Picnics On Vesuvius are pure examples of the Jekyll tendency. The tone is appropriately lofty, the sentiments appropriately distinguished, and the judgments are appropriately balanced. When Alexander Milne writes a critical book, Rees-Mogg comments: "What a remarkably honest and dispassionate book it is." When Maxwell dies, he remarks oxymoronically, "I shall remember him with affection...! was always suspicious of him." This is fine on-the-one-hand-on-the-oth-

# Proud to be Establishment

Oliver Letwin

PICNICS ON VESUVIUS

Steps Towards the Millennium By William Rees-Mogg Sidgwick & Jackson, £17.50

r old-style *Times*-leader stuff. But, beneath the tone, there is something rather odd going on in these essays. Where are the Establishment views? On Aids, instead of the expected sympathetic cluck, Rees-Mogg gives a remarkably robust assertion of the value of "faithful marriage". On immigration, an equally robust response is evoked by a poll showing "massive majorities for fear and prejudice", which makes Rees-Mogg "feel what (expletive deleted) we English are".

There are vehement attacks on communism ("it is like a blind, onelegged centenarian on the Centre Court at Wimbledon"); socialism ("if you choose the wrong theory,

you get the wrong results"); and Maastricht ("the Euro-dodo that was too stupid and fat to fly"). And there is a theoretically rather dotty but in practice rather prophetic belief in Kondratiefi cycles of economic boom and bust inat some point in 1992, panic will probably set in ... Britain, as in 1931, will have to abandon the attempt to

maintain a fixed [evenange] rate"]. The sense of oddiny arises from the fact that Rees-Mogg is doing something that no Establishment man (whether in Jekvil or in Hyde mode) is ever meant to do: he is actually thinking. What can possibly explain this extraordinary departure from the norms of Establishment behaviour?

The key to these essays is the date. They were written for The Independent between 1980 and 1991, years when the Establishment itself was radicalised, years when rentiers, industrialists, local councillors, lawyers, teachers, doctors, and unions found they were under attack, not from the traditional

representatives of radical chic, but from Downing Street, the most Establishment of addresses. In other words, when Rees-Mogg had the temerity to be be interesting, he was not departing from the Estab-lishment, but rather expressing its condition in the late 1980s.

The question implicitly raised by the essays is whether this radicalisation of the Establishment was temporary or permanent, Alas, all the signs are that the radical period was a temporary phase. The Estab-lishment is now busily persuading itself that the most commonsensical and balanced economic policy is to have several conflicting economic policies, that the collective genius of the CBI and TUC will - contrary to all past evidence — see us through every possible difficulty, that the mounting tensions in Central and Eastern Europe and the rise of fascism in Western Europe are little local difficulties.

This sort of fuzzy optimism will be as disastrous as it was before the 1980s. A short time from now, we shall look back at Rees-Mogg's pieces as a wonderful reminder of the brief time when the grandest of the grand thought it was their business to take out the magnifying glass rather than to observe the passing scene through rose-tinted spectacles.

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# Airing Balkan agonies

Anne McElvoy

THE FALL OF YUGOSLAVIA Penguin, £5.99 pbk

o the assembled hacks billet-ed in Zagreb's Esplanade Hotel between the summers of 1991 and 1992, the author was known as Misha Gloomy. Whenever we tuned our shortwave radios to that audio-bible of the world's conflicts, the BBC World Service, there he would be prophesying greater chaos, accelerating violence and escalations of slaughter in his lugubrious nasal tone.

He was right. Yugoslavia's death bitterest war to blight Europe since 1945, and in his book, produced with admirable speed while he was pounding the scarred roads of the Balkans, he gives us the first authoritative account of the tragedy from its beginnings in the stony hinterland of Croatia's Serbian enclave Krajina to its ghastly dimax in the besieging of Sarajevo.

Yugoslavia is one of those cases in which an analyst could not err by being a pessimist, and Glenny's account of Slobodan Milosevic's turns of the nationalist screw make depressing reading. He evokes the ghastly complicity of both Serbian and Croatian politicians in what followed with remarkable even-handedness, without seeking to conceal that it was Belgrade's war machine which turned a historical clash of interests into a bloodbath.

He has a radio man's skill at presenting the tangled ethnic web with clarity by highlighting the personal fears, motivations and obsessions of those involved, supported by an awareness all too rare in modern journalists of the force of 19th-century history in the present conflicts of southern Europe. The panopoly of ghastly characters enlivens what could have been a heavy read. At times, the writing leaves something to be desired — there are the repetitions and solecisms which bedevil a hastily executed book but I found this easy to forgive in such an energetic account.

Much more irritating is Glenny's wholehearted subscription to the personality cult — mainly his own. The number of entries in the index under his own name far exceeds those for the Croatian leader Franjo Tudiman.

This book will be welcomed by those who are stunned by the murderous excesses of Yugoslavia's demise and seek a clear account of its causes and course. He leaves us with the guns still blazing in Sarajevo and the warning that Western governments have failed to see the grim potential of nationalist disputes involving minority populations in the former communist world. The relevance of Glenny's perceptive pessimism is. alas, not limited to Yugoslavia.

eference books, particularly the arts. make ideal Christnice colourful ones about mas presents. Handy for dipping into whenever argument -- or Trivial Pursuit question — dictates. they also look good on the shelf. And you never have to feel guilty about not reading them from cover to cover. ·

This year offers a bumper crop for armchair audiences: tomes to while away the dark winter nights, from the mainstream of Hollywood to the esoterica of classical ballet and the minutiae of American theatre.

One of the biggest books in terms of square footage is Hollywood: Sixty Great Years (Prion, £24.95), a liberally-illustrated history of the American cinema from 1930 to 1990. This one is strictly for coffee tables — carrying it around could result in serious wrist strain — but a must-have for diehard Hollywoodwatchers. Six film writers (including John Russell Taylor of The Times) have each analysed a decade (sub-divided into filmic genres and trends) in the life of the world's foremost propaganda machine. The early black-and-white photographs come off best; the quality of

here is a great divide in

why. On the one hand there are

those, like my first four, which

portray business as big, fast and

glamorous. Most of these are written by journalists, often in a

style that suggests they wish they

were writing their novel. On the

other hand there are books in

which business is shown as pains-taking, slow and methodical. These

are written by successful business-

Nadir of Polly Peck held the gor-geous East in fee. Starting at that

end of London, he built a business

empire centred in Cyprus and

Turkey and capitalised at E2 billion.

Nadir's interests ranged from fruit

to television sets, but the core -

rotten as it turned out - was a set of

accounting policies which turned

losses into miraculous profits. En-

couraged by spurious figures, inves-

For much of the 1980s, Asil

men: Get it?

popular business books, and I think I have worked out

### ARTS

**Debra Craine** 

some of the later colour is dubious. But the pictures are fun: my own favourite is Charlton Heston sharing an impassioned kiss with an amorous lady simian (alias Kim Hunter) in Planet of the Apes. Pictures are nowhere to be found

in the 1993 edition of The Variety Movie Guide (Hamlyn, £12.99), probably because there is no room or them. With 6,000 films listed alphabetically between its paperback covers, the pithy entries are selected from the 50,000-plus reviews published by Variety over the past 85 years, everything from D.W. Griffiths's Judith of Bethulia (1914) to this summer's Batman Returns. The so-called Variety 'slanguage" has been preserved. So for "chopsocky" read martial arts film; for "oater" read Western. glossary is provided.

Leonard Maltin's Movie and

Video Guide 1993 (Signet, £6.99) is another paperback which crams a wealth of detail into its densely filled 1,522 pages. The American

tors stumped up for wide-ranging

expansion. Polly Peck collapsed in 1990, and Nadir now faces charges

Asil Nadir and the Rise and Fall

of Polly Peck (Gollancz, £9.99 pbk)

David Barchard presents a read-

able, not overly novelised account of

how it all happened, but bereft

shareholders may feel he is too kind on the bankrupt billionaire. The last chapter is titled "An Indomita-

Barchard compares Nadir to Jay

Gatsby. The same could be said of "Dr" Armand Hammer. No doctor

he, but a Prohibition bootlegger

who spent his long life reinventing his history. Until he was 90,

Hammer denied being Jewish. It

may be true that his father was rich.

as his son claimed; but then it may

he true that he was poor, as

Hammer also claimed. It is appar-

ently true that Hammer met Lenin

at the age of 23, but less certain that

their intimacy went any further.

theft and false accounting. In

film historian has provided more than 19,000 movie and video listings: most of them are ridiculously telescoped, but every film is helpfully star-rated.

The Oxford Companion to American Theatre (OUP, £40) is likely to find a limited readership in Britain; there cannot be many takers for a book listing such American trivia as Common Clay, the one and only success enjoyed by the forgotten playwright Cleves Kinkead, in 1915. The updated edition of Gerald Bordman's American Musical Theatre (OUP, £40) offers a comprehensive history of America's great gift to world theatre. If only there were a few photographs to liven up the text.

Mary Clarke and Clement Crisp have also done a little updating, bringing their invaluable 1973 book, Ballet: An Illustrated History (Hamish Hamilton, £25). into the Nineties to include such current hot items as Sylvie Guillem and Mark Morris. The text makes for an entertaining read, encompass-ing everything from the early spectacles of Renaissance Italy to the new artistic voices in Australia. The photographs, all black and white, are a delight.



Clinched: James Stewart and Marlene Dietrich in Destry Rides Again (1939), from Hollywood: Sixty Great Years

### BUSINESS

Stephen Hargrave

From an early age Hammer's means was money, but his end was fame. He travelled the world incessantly to snatch at the shirt-tails of the great. Carl Blurnay's hatchet-job, The Dark Side of Power: The Real Armand Hammer (Simon & Schuster, £20) includes photographs of Hammer with friends such as Leonid Brezhnev and Nicolai Ceaucescu ("a gentle man", said Hammer, "who cares only for his people"). Blumay himself was for 25 years the great benefactor's PR man. Like the sycophants around Robert Maxwell, he always knew the boss was a wrong 'un, but

didn't like to say. "The chauffeur-driven Mercedes

mph," Andrew Davidson informs us. Is he sure? Might it not have been 71? There was, after all, a high-powered TV executive in the back of the limo, and as we all know from reading books like Under the Hammer: The ITV Franchise Battle (Heinemann, £16.99) time is money - lots and lots of it. Call me old-fashioned, but gratuituous bits of pseudo-information do nothing for my faith in the rest of the book. A pity, because the conduct of the ITV franchise auction was a tale well worth telling. That is more, perhaps, than British readers would say for the intrigues at Louis Vuitton and Moet-Hennessey, re-lated in Kings on the Catwalk by Hugh Sebag-Monteflore (Chapmans, £9.99 pbk).

John Harvey-Jones was chairman of IC1 for five years and now entertains TV audiences with his flying visits to companies in need of moved smoothly out into the fast advice. Troubleshooter 2 (BBC, lane and cruised at an even 70 [14.99) is less entertaining than the

evident (as is his taste in ties); but the book will make a failsafe present for aspiring industrialists. Finally, in this year of Comeback Kids. Jim Slater has written a highly instructive book about "making extraordinary profits from ordinary shares". Once the most feared and controversial presence in British industry. Slater crashed with his company in 1974 but has since re-established his personal fortune. There were always those who said Big Jim's talent was for spotting companies rather than running them, and The Zulu Principle (Orion, £18.99) is a guide to doing it yourself. Not everyone will agree with his central idea of sticking to smaller companies, which are apt to fall as fast as they rise, but Slater's technique is laid out with the same unpadded

clarity that distinguished his earlier

autobiography.

screen version, if only because Sir

John's own humane presence is less

surprisingly easy to spot the win-ners. Marcella Hazan has earned all-round plaudits for The Essentials of Classic Italian Cooking (Macmillan, £20), a compelling mix of information and practical expertise which never degenerates inio empty gush about a superior culinary land. Hazan, a top-of-therange writer for knowledgeable cooks, brings wisdom to bear on fashion, with some stimulating results. She doesn't, for instance think much of most supermarket fresh pasta, is lukewarm about the achievements of home pasta machines, and helpfully identifies balsamic vinegar as more of an essence than a full-scale ingredient. The Inspired Vegetarian (Stewart, Tabori and Chang, £14.99),

Louise Pickford's first book with photographer Gus Filgate, is also n a class apart. A slim volume with delicate recipes, fascinating new combinations of flavours and painterly photographs, it is a provocative feast for the artistic and consuming

More aesthetic sensitivity and practical confidence, as in Pickford's book, and less restaurantinspired pretentiousness, could do wonders for our island foodways. Still, any home cooking is worthwhile in a fast-food age, even when falling into that thoroughly British category, food as worship. Robert Carrier's Feasts of Provence (Weidenfeld, £20) and Giuliano Bugialli's Foods of Tuscany (Stewart Tabori & Chang, £25), both celebrate the holiday-cum-food experience. Pierre Koffmann's La Tante Claire Recipes from a Master Chef (Headline, £19.99), is intended, following Koffmann's classic on the food of his native Gascony, for an equally worshipful audience of restaurant-spotters. It carries the subliminal message that good food must be expensive and exclusive, and to my mind shows up the weakness of conservative French cooking, relying on traditional expensive ingredients and

excessive protein. Quite a different aroma wafts off the collected pieces of The Guard-

### COOKERY

Lesley Chamberlain

ian's Colin Spencer in Vegetable Pleasures (Fourth Estate, £9.99 paperback), although the book lacks pizazz. So much depends in food writing on the author's personality. Spencer seems companionable and committed, Pickford is vibrant. Koffmann conventional. Your reviewer is aesthetically-minded and puritanical.

Tor a more curious autobiographical background than Koffmann's and some excelrecipes, Indian food fans should, despite the title, consult the Curry Club's 250 Favourite Curries and Accompaniments (Piatkus, £17.99). Author Pat Chapman, whose grandmother was orphaned in the Indian Mutiny, is also good on wine, usefully refuting the notion that it doesn't suit Indian food. He tips Australian Shiraz and bold Chardonnays. If you like Shiraz why not try a Cote Rôtic, a Vin de Pays de l'Ardèche or a Californian Syrah. Rosemary George's excellent and original Lateral Wine-Tasting (Blooms-bury, £9.99 paperback) works on the spreadsheet principle to enlarge your imbibing horizons.

Experiment is half the fun of eating and drinking, Yan-Kit So's Classic Food of China (Macmillan, £25) ensures we will go on dabbling in that mysterious tradition. And probably spilling it. Nigel Rees's Best Behaviour (Bloomsbury, £16.90) has nothing on chopsticks but suggests that table and sexual manners should still be kept clean in public. Use his book at Christmas like a sorbet between courses to stop conversation flagging, then resume eating. Clan-Connery's In An Irish Country Kitchen (Weidenfeld, £18.99), has suet-topped casscroles, fish and shellfish in cheese sauce, and wonderful home-baked breads and cakes. Nigel Slater (Real Fast Food, Michael Joseph, £14,99) in the man to seek out if you've left it all to the last minute. He's also great on rapid meals after work.

### n his last letter, Keats re-marked of the final stages of his illness: "I have an habitual feeling of my real life having passed, and that I am leading a posthumous existence." Janet Hobhouse seems to have written her last novel. The Furies, in a frame of mind not wholly dissimi-lar, even though she had not given up hope of recovering from cancer at the moment of her sudden death last year. This book is suffused with an ethereal yearning, the eloquence of a young, beautiful and gifted woman who knows she is living on time that was not so much borrowed as wrested from death.

All who met Janet Hobhouse were struck by her intense and

# Keeping the avengers at bay

vulnerable, for the author of The Furies could not have created the character of Helen without deep reserves of compassion and unselfish nobility of spirit. The outlines of Helen's life are autobiographical: like her creation, Janet was brought up in New York and sent to England aged to: she too went to Oxford, wrote books on Gertrude Stein and on 20th-century art. made a splash as a novelist, only to fall ill with cancer in her thirties.

ego. She is a distinct person, a sister, perhaps, yet far removed from Janet's temperament and Helen's narrative voice has more pathos, more self-knowledge, more wisdom than the quicksilver brilliance that Janet displayed in

The novel begins with a pro-logue, devoted to the rise and fall of the Woolf family, Helen's overpoweringly maternal milieu. Nearly 40 pages long, this prologue has been **Daniel Johnson** 

THE FURIES By Janet Hobbouse Bloomsbury, £15.99

criticised as too slow, but I found it anything that follows. As the family firm quietly founders, the men die or divorce, until what is left can be shown in a diagram: "Four generations of

metry and Mendelian simplicity. an unassailable oval, an egg-shape of female solitude." Helen and her feckless but glamorous mother Bett are left alone in Manhattan, prac-tising their own version of elegant economy as the child searches for

She finds it first in the company of her sculptress grandmother Gogi, who looks like Bett's sister and competes with her for influence over Helen. She bequeaths to

of her talent and not to succumb to the melancholy stream which af-fects all the Woolfs, most of all Bett. Helen goes to England to find her father, and spends an unhappy period in his house as the butt of his accumulated guilt and bile, before escaping to the freedom of Oxford life. A hasty marriage to Ned, a rich young fogey, helps launch Helen into a literary career, but neither he nor her other lovers can restore the lost intimacy of her childhood. The still-youthful but increasingly dotty

Jolfgang Koeppen's reput-ation rests to some extent

on his prolonged silences

Now in his late eighties and living

in Munich, he has not published a

major work of fiction since his

trilogy of the 1950s. This last

volume, Death in Rome, appeared

in 1954 and met with mixed

reactions. Some critics hailed it as a

masterpiece, but Koeppen also hit a raw nerve in Adenauer's fledgling

democracy with the message that those who had colluded with the

Nazi regime were only hiding

under the mantle of the newly

restored civil society - opportunists now as they had been then. The

author was one of a group of left-

wing intellectuals who dreamt uto-

pian dreams after the collapse of

Nazism and were bitterly disap-

pointed by Adenauer's restoration

Death in Rome is a haunting

allegory about post-war Germany,

written rather like a long prose

poem. The title alludes to Thomas

Mann's novella Death in Venice,

and the text is full of hidden

references to that masterly parable

of decadence. Very much a product

of its time, Death in Rome shatters

the illusion that a reformed nation

might rise from the ashes, for

Koeppen does not believe that

mankind can be reformed. Indeed,

the book is instilled with a deep

Images of death are omnipresent

in Koeppen's vivid descriptions of

the Eternal City, which he uses as a

backdrop for his surreal plot. The

setting has profound connotations.

For centuries, Rome has epitomi-

sed the yearning that Germans

have felt for the south. Like Goethe

they were drawn there by romantic

visions of a bohemian life in the

Mediterranean sun, free from con-

straints and surrounded by the

relics of a great civilisation. It is

here that Koeppen gathers together

various members of one family, all

of whom are in one way or another

on the run from their experience of

Nazism. But Rome offers no sanc-

tuary to these tortured Germanic

souls, who stand out starkly against

The central figure, Gottlieb Jude-

jahn, is a leading Nazi who has

slipped through the net. Condemned to death at the Nuremberg

the Italian ambience.

sense of the futility of life.

of the old Weimar order.

Bett brings this period of compara-tive normality (significantly entitled "Men") to an end by killing herself. The furies have overtaken Helen, and she descends into an abyss of grief and remorse.

Janet Hobhouse's treatment of

despair is utterly honest and frightening to read. When the pain of loss is compounded by fear of morality. Helen's cup overflows. Her fortifude richly deserves the happy ending that Hobhouse her-self was denied. An unfinished but in no sense imperient novel, this was her valediction; it achieves an unpretentious simplicity, classical and idiomatic, worldly and innocent. In The Furies Janet Hobhouse excelled herself this book will live.

# Whydunnit in **Q**-sharp minor

Michael Wright

**LEVIATHAN** 

By Paul Auster

Faber, £14.99

Auster's work is his ability to breathe new life into a branch of fiction that looked as if rigor mortis had set in years ago. Leviathan may not have quite the weird zing of his brilliant New York Trilogy, but Auster keeps the mind twisting, with his familiar compound of conceptual tricksiness. plotwise panache and cool, hard prose like beaten aluminium.

Instead of simply indulging in the schoolboy self-consciousness and stylistic piddle-pranking of postmodernism for its own sake, Auster turns everything upside down, working hard on the "truth is stranger than fiction" front in order to strengthen the illusion that his novel is a frank,

truthful representation of a world that just happens to be plex, dishonest and brimful of wacky Even before the

teasingly intertwined: a note in the frontispiece extends special thanks to someone or other for "permission to mingle fact with fiction" and, when the first-person narrator introduces himself, it is no surprise to find that his initials are P. A.

Leviathan purports to tell "the true story of the narrator's best friend, a fellow-writer called Benjamin Sachs, who has mysteriously blown himself up on a lonely road in Wisconsin. What follows is a kind of retrospective detective story – a "whydunnit in Q-sharp minor" as Muriel Spark might put it - in which the bemused narrator struggles to piece together Sachs's bizarre life history from a jumble of unreliable evidence, like a puzzled reader trying to make sense of a difficult novel.

And that's just it. Sachs himself is able to "read the world as though it were a work of the imagination". and his own life begins to take on the lurid, contrived quality of fiction. By the half-way stage. Sachs has become far more than just a screw-loose writer with a taste for loose screwing. The narrator realises that Sachs is "no longer just my missing friend, but a symptom of my ignorance about all

wo recent books add signifi-

cantly to the growing corpus

of knowledge of garden his-

tory, deserving more space than

can be given in this short review.

Each is the product of considerable

scholarship, treating much com-mon ground in the choice of gar-

dens from the Renaissance to the

present. For those with a serious

Mark Laird's The Formal Gar-

den: Traditions of art and nature

(Thames & Hudson, £28) concen-

trates on the appearance of the

garden and how it was experi-

enced. He looks behind the concept

of formality in garden design.

arguing that the transition from

formal to informal that we accept as

the essence of, for example, the

18th-century landscape movement.

was much more gradual and com-

plex than previously thought, "and sometimes only very partial". We see gardens of the past with 20th-

century eyes, not attuned to the

such an hilariously morbid collec-tion as The World of Chas Ad-

really rather mirabilis. Timeless

lasting, particularly as it appears on

screen rather than newsprint. A

Nasty Piece of Work by Roger Law

us to marvel at the caricatures

and David Stoten are alone worth

Madam, if you have definitely

decided not to vote for me, what are

I doing nursing your baby?" an

stuff, uniquely crafted.

his was certainly not an

annus horribilis for cartoon

books. One which gives us

interest each is essential reading.

able itself". Shades of Conrad's Heart of Darkness, perhaps, with Sachs playing Kurtz to the narra-tor's Marlow?

Throughout the novel there is a bond between Sachs and the narrator which goes beyond mere friendinterchangeable, as if they were twin halves of the same person, or opposite faces of the same coin. And sure enough, when the narrafor "reviews" Sachs's novel, he makes the sort of criticisms often levelled at Auster himself: "There are times when the novel feels too constructed, too mechanical in its orchestration of events, and only rarely do any of the characters come

fully to life . . Čertainly, there is a Meccano aspect to Leviathan. Like the Lloyd's Building, or Pompidou Centre. the novel's guts are all on the outside, with the nuts and

novel opens, fiction and reality are bolts and plumbing openly displayed for all to see. For example. narrator strenuously emphasises the chance events and coincidences that combine to seal Sachs's destiny (I counted 17). where most novelists might struggle to disguise them. Yet a sense of mechanical orchestration (what Suchs calls "the dark, complex pattern embedded in the real\*) is central to the work; hence the Richard Rogers approach to plot construction. And besides, Auster's carbon-fibre prose is so damn sleek. light and strong that he could probably get away with anything.

I can think of no British novelist who has so skilfully and inventively mastered - rather than masturbated with — the so-called "possibil-ities" of copy-book postmodernism. The American has found his own powerfully masculine voice, and here uses it to resonant and thought-provoking effect.

Yet the detailed and deadpan Austerity of the treatment is hardly likely to have the average reader trembling in his pyjamas. As with previous offerings, this is fiction to grab the mind, not the soul. So whilst Auster impresses mightily once again, he does not quite enthral.

ed in earlier times. We must

remind ourselves constantly of how

gardens have changed, and per-

haps even improved, as plants



Epimedium sempervirens, an evergreen from the "snow country" of Ashu in northern Kyoto. This is one of 64 splendid original colour plates by Raymond Booth accompanying a learned text by Don Elick. Japonica Magnifica (Alan Sutton, £80) deserves to be a botanical classic

### meaning of statue and layout that **GARDENING** would have been readily appreciat-

Ruth Stungo

matured and design has been modreconstruction of a garden such as William of Orange's Het Loo in the Netherlands can strike us as it did at the time. For one thing the exotic plants are by now very familiar. ences, due to the manner in which

Laird writes well, particularly when painting his word-pictures of the life and bustle which enlivened these great gardens in their heyday. How extraordinary to realise that the fairytale life of pageant and dis-play at Fouquet's Vaux le Viscomte - today such a solid monument was swept away and destroyed after only a handful of years.

In both The Formal Garden and in Penclope Hobhouse's Plants in Garden History (Pavilion, £40), the reasoned flow of argument is mad-

deningly interrupted by pictorial disgressions which elaborate and repeat. Is our attention span so short? In contrast, it takes considerable persistence to find what you want in Laird's extensive refer-

they are presented. Penelope Hobhouse leans towards the plants and the part they have played in the history of gardening. She asks the interesting question how the availability of new sorts of plants at a particular time has influenced garden design, giving examples ranging from the development of early botanic gardens to Victorian carpet bedding. Though covering much familiar ground, her overview of an enormous field, from earliest gardens to the present day, is impressive in both its range and depth.

A refreshingly different version of the history of gardening rather than gardens is provided in Martin Hoyles's The Story of Gardening (Journeyman Press, £12.95). Although it is well over a hundred pages before the name of Marx appears, it is clear that this is a history of the forgotten aspects of gardening that rarely find a place the displacement of populations that accompanied the creation of new landscapes, the drudgery of horticultural employment, the forgotten contribution of Aztec and Arab. Although the heart sinks sometimes at the political terminology, it is a wonderful source of otherwise inaccessible information: kangaroos used as lawnmowers at Government House in Sydney!

Offering a different view of the gallant plant hunters, he invites us to consider them as agents of economic exploitation and colonial greed. At a time when people are asking questions about who "owns" plant wealth, including those plants improved by human intervention, and what rights we have to exploit resources of other countries, this is a useful reminder of a not

always glorious record. The 3,000-Mile Garden is "an exchange of letters between two eccentric gourmet gardeners", rather than gardening on the gigantic scale (Pan Books, £14.99). Roger Phillips, ace photographer-author, gardens in London's Ecclesion Square, while Leslie Land develops her skills in the harsher climate of America's Maine, and writes both on gardening and cookery. Far from seeming eccentric, they come across as deliciously well balanced, exchanging plans and suggestions. successes and failures, information about photography, and wonderfully inspiring recipes, particularly for the mushrooms about which both are so passionate.

### **BLOCKBUSTERS**

Helena Troye

Cookson's success is due to establishing a leitmotif and sticking to it. No romantic novelist writes about turn-of-the-century Durham with such relish, just as no one in the field can match Maeve Binchy on 1950s rural Ireland.

So, for those dewy-eyed for the boom times of the very recent past, Penny Vincenzi's Wicked Plea-sures (Orion, £9.99 pbk) is choc-full of money, sex and power - those stalwarts of the 1980s. The wafer-thin plot is embellished by all the trappings of Mammon - the palatial stately home, an East Coast banking dynasty and, of course, gallons and gallons of champagne. At 750 pages it's a long read -

indulgent, enjoyable escapism.
Claire Rayner's less-than-swinging Sixties (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £14.99) ends her protracted series about salt of the earth Londoners. An able writer, Rayner is given to dull dialogue and the whiff of worthiness is overpowering. One for die-hard fans only.

# into the Reich

Italian journey

Gina Thomas DEATH IN ROME

By Wolfgang Koeppen Translated by Michael Hofmann Hamish Hamilton, £8.99 pbk

trials, he has escaped to an Arabian country where he acts as a military adviser to the local potentate. His ideological fervour is undiminished by defeat. Judejahn has come to Rome under an assumed name to secure an arms deal. He finds himself there at the same time as his brother-in-law. Pfaffrath, a former Nazi who has accommodated himself to the new leadership and become mayor of his town. He wants to wield his influence to enable Judejahn's return to Germany.

Their involvement with the Third Reich has estranged them from their two sons, who are also staying in Rome. Adolf Judejahn has sought refuge in the Church, hoping to atone for the sins of his father and Siegfried Pfaffrath is an avant-garde composer whose symphony is being premiered in Rome under the baton of a refugee from Hitler's Germany. More by chance than by design, the concert unites the family briefly under one roof, before they are left once again to drift to their different fates. Judejahn wanders the streets of the city still hankering after crude dreams of racial cleansing and Aryan domination which culminates in a frenzied finale.

oeppen never allows his characters to be more than archetypal figures in a plot interspersed with sensual descriptions and perceptive vignettes of Roman life. The Germans move around the city in a chilling dance of death set to the lyrical strains of Koeppen's evocative prose. The novella's literary merit lies in Koeppen's poetic language, which, sadly, loses some of its power in translation. Death in Rome still stands as a small masterpiece. inspired by the experience of Nazism, like the best works of Heinrich Böll, Günter Grass and Siegfried Lenz. Where are their equivalents today?

### TIMES READER BOOK OFFER

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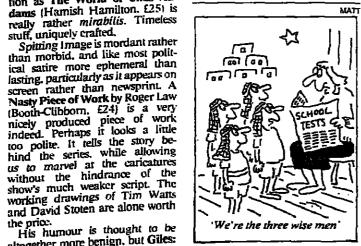
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CARTOONS

Peter Brookes



His humour is thought to be altogether more benign, but Giles: A Life in Cartoons by Peter Tory (Headline, £10.99) reveals that he election candidate hurls the innocould outspit Sptting Image even in cent over a wall. 1950. Above the caption "Well.

Completely Mad: A History of the Comic Book and Magazine by Maria Reidelbach (Boxtree, £15.99, pbk) is strictly for maddicts.

It reminds us how sharp and innovative it all was back in the 1950s and 1960s before the use of visual parody began to lose The same applies to Glen Baxter:

Returns to Normal (Bloomsbury, £12.99). It was all very funny when new, but the one-joke technique is now wearing thin. There are times when one begins to tire of captions like There are times when I began to tire of polishing Mr Throngue." Jacky Fleming with Never Give Up and Be a Bloody Train Driver (Penguin, £4.90 each) can be very

witty indeed about a woman's lot. although her drawing too often detracts from the effect. But her zany picture of a woman in labour captioned "I've changed my mind" strikes exactly the right balance. There are very few duds in The Spectator Cartoon Book 1992

(Hamish Hamilton, 57.99, pbk). Thank God for a journal that takes The Daily Telegraph's The Best of Matt (Chapman) has no colour.

no glossy paper, costs just £3.90 and is best of all. It celebrates that rare thing: a daily cartoonist who never fails. Damn him. Peter Brookes draws for The Times.

victoria Holt, still going, still prolific, has a devoted following, but on the evidence of her new offering Seven for a Secret (HarperCollins, £14.99) one cannot see why. What begins promisingly enough as the initiation of a lonely, adolescent orphan into life in an insular village, complete with batty old dame in a cottage in the wood and a surly young squire on horseback, deteriorates into cliche and mawkish rubbish. Even transplanting the plot to an antipodean island fails to lift the lazy, twodimensional writing style and uninspired characterisation. Catherine Cookson, doyenne of

the northern saga, hits t'nail on t'head, however, with The Maltese Angel (Bantam Press, £14.99), her latest tin bath tale. There's trouble at Gibson's farm when master jilts a lass from the village and marries "a dancing piece from Newcastle". Mad, scomed Daisy indulges in some cattle crippling, field burning and manslaughter before justice is done. Even then. Cookson continues to trowel on the tragedy for the next generation as the Great War looms. Needless to say, all ends happily. This will not fail to please the author's readership.

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# Sentencing guidelines on various aspects of recent legislation

Regina v Conningham Regina v Oliver Regina v Little Regina v Okinikan Regina v Robinson

Before Lord Taylor of Gosforth, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Potts and Mr Justice Judge

[Judgments November 27]

Guidance on the sentence restricting provisions of the Criminal Justice Act 1991, which came into force on October I. was given in reserved judgments of the Court of Appeal delivered by Lord Taylor of Gosforth, Lord Chief Justice, in a series of cases specially listed together for hearing.

R v Conningham

Robbery by a 22-year-old in a small shop at knife-point clearly fell within section 1(1)(a). Where the length of a custodial sentence was challenged the Court of Appeal would be concerned about whether the term was appropriate under the criteria of the 1991 Act and was unlikely to be moved by nice arithmetical comparisons between periods under the old and new regimes.

Section 2(2)(a) enabled the sentencing judge to take the need for deterrence into account. The purpose of a custodial sentence had primarily to be to punish and deter, and the phrase "commensurate with the seriousness of the offence" in section 2(2)(a) had to mean commensurate with the punishment and deterrence which the seriousness of

the offence required.

Section 2(2)(a) prohibited adding any extra length to the commensurate sentence so as to make a special example of the defendant. Prevalence of the offence was a legitimate factor in determining the length of the custodial

R v Oliver: R v Little Before October 1992 the appellants, aged 18 and 19 respectively, had committed offences for which they were placed on probation. Afterwards they

committed crimes. In view of sections 2(1) and 13(1)(2) of the Powers of Criminal Courts Act 1973 the making of a probation order before October 1992 was not a sentence and if the appellants committed any offence while subject to the probation orders they were liable to be brought back to court and dealt with as if they had just been convicted of the original offences: section 8 of the 1973 Act.

In view of section 14(1) of and Schedule 2 to the 1991 Act, when the appellants appeared before the crown court on October 5, they were liable to be sentenced as if they had just been convicted of the original offences for which they had been placed on

There might well be cases where, notwithstanding that the offence itself passed the custody threshold, there was sufficient mitigation to lead the court to impose a community sentence.

Nevertheless, if a further offence or community sentence was in force and the defendant was brought to court for self of much of the mitigation, such as good character, genuine remorse, iso-iated lapse and similar considerations which had led the original court to pass a community rather than a custodial

Whatever the theoretical position might be in relation to consecutive sentences, it would usually be inappropriate for consecutive sentences to be phased for offenoes which did not themselves satisfy the requirements relating to custody or, indeed, for sentences to be made longer than strictly justified by reference to those offences which did qualify. R v Okinikan

Section 3(1), (2) and (5) concerned a pre-sentence report and it was for the trial judge to decide whether the report actually available to the court was adequate for sentencing purposes and constituted proper compliance with the

Provided that the report was in writing and was made or submitted by a probation officer or social worker and gave appropriate information about the ffender in relation to the offences which brought him before the court, the judge was not obliged to ensure that every detail of information put before him by counsel was checked and confirmed in a further pre-sentence report or by way of

If he considered that a further written report was required to confirm further information the judge could, of course, adjourn the case but was not obliged to

As to exceptional circumstances justifying the exercise of power to suspend a sentence under section 5(1): their Lordships could not lay down a definition of exceptional circumstances. It would depend on the facts of each individual

se. However, taken on their own or in combination, good character, youth and an early plea were not exceptional circumstances justifying a suspended sentence. They were common features of many cases. They could amount to mitigation sufficient to persuade the court that a custodial sentence should not be passed or to reduce its length. The statutory language was clear and unequivocal

The appellant was aged 16 at the time of the offence and the appeal involved the court in ruling, on questions raised in a certificate of appeal by the trial judge relating to section 31(1), whether attempted rape was (i) a "sexual offence" a restricted definition, and (ii) a "violent offence" a broad definition.

As to attempted rape, it was not enough to hold that it would be an affront to common sense if the court were to accept the submission that attempted rape was omitted from the definition of sexual offence.

Their Lordships were obliged to approach the issue as a matter of construction of the section. Although attempted rape was indicted under section 1 of the Criminal Attempts Act 1981, in the light of section 37 Part 1 of Schedule 2 to the Sexual properly to be regarded as an offence under the 1956 Act. In the circum-stances, their Lordships had concluded that attempted rape came within the definition of sexual offence for the purposes of the 1991 Act.

purposes of the 1991 Act.

As to violent offence, the definition meant "an offence which leads ... to physical injury to a person" and did not require the injury to be serious.

The broad definition focused not on classes of offences specified in statutory provisions but on the individual facts of each case. The unfortunate victim, a lady approaching 90 years of age in her home alone at night, did in fact suffer actual physical injury as a direct result of the amenuted rape. It was, therefore, a the attempted rape. It was, therefore, a violent offence within section 31(1).

The sentence of eight years in a young offender institution was right, within section 53(2) of the Children and Young Persons Act 1953. The sentence was not limited to a maximum of 12 months under section 63 of and Schedules 8 and 12 to the 1991 Act. Had the appellant been older the sentence might well have

Regina v Bexley Regina v Summers Regina v Harrison

Regina v Cox (David) Regina v Baverstock

Before Lord Taylor of Gosforth, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Potts and Mr Justice Judge [Judgments November 30]

R v Bedey, R v Summers, R v Harrison in each of the three cases where the defendants were aged 24, 29 and 26 respectively, it was necessary to consider the true construction of section 29 of the 1991 Act and the relation of subsections (1) and (2) thereof. They provided: "(1) An offence shall not be regarded as more serious ... by reason of any previous convictions of the offender or any failure of his to respond to previous sentences.

"(2) Where any aggravating factors of an offence are disclosed by the circum-stances of other offences committed by the offender, nothing ... shall prevent the court from taking those factors into account for the purpose of forming an opinion as to the seriousness of the

How the subsections related to one another had been the subject of much controversy and it had even been suggested that subsection (2) was in conflict with subsection (1). However, in their Lordships' judgment, Parliament must have intended the two subsections

to be complementary.

Subsection (1) prohibited the sentence ing court from regarding an offence as more serious simply because the oflender had previous convictions. That prohibition applied whether the previous convictions were for different classes of offence, or even for the same class of offence as that before the

sentencing court. Section 29(1) embodied the principle established in case law before the 1991 Act, that an offender who had been punished for offences committed in the past should not, in effect, be punished But section 29(1) went further. The assent offence.

criterion for deciding whether only a custodial sentence could be justified was the seriousness of the offence or its combination with one other: section 1(2)(a). Likewise, under section 2(2)(a) the length of a custodial semence, other than one fixed by law or one within section 2(2)(b) — a violent or sexual offence for such longer term, not exceeding the permitted maximum, as the presence of the rubble from was necessary to protect the public from serious harm from the offender — had to

So the sentencer had to focus his attention on the seriousness of that offence or that combination. The commonly adopted approach before the 1991 Act of regarding the instant offence as more serious and deserving of custody because it repeated previous offending which had been treated more leniently, was now

be commensurate with the seriousness of the offence or its combination with

forbidden.
The second limb of section 29(1) expressly provided that failure of the oftender to respond to previous sentences was not to be regarded as rendering the instant offence more

It followed that familiar sentencing remarks before the 1991 Act, such as "you have a long history of committing offences of this kind," or "you have been given every chance, fines, probation, community service and here you are again," would no longer be appropriate. They would be statutorily irrelevant as indicators of seriousness in the instant offence. So much was clear from section

29(1).
Whereas section 29(1) referred to "previous convictions," by contrast section 29(2) referred to "the circumstances of other offences". In their Lordships judgment, the effect of the contrast was judgment, the effect of the contrast was that a sentencer could not regard the mere existence of previous convictions as relevant to the seriousness of the instant offence or its conjunction with one other offence, but he could take into account on that issue the circumstances of previous offences or of other offences resently before the court.

Only those circumstances could be taken into account which disclosed some aggravating factor in offence A or offence B. In other words, the sentencer had to concentrate his attention on A or A and B.

Keeping that offence or combination in the lorefront of his mind, he could properly ask himself whether there were any circumstances of other offences committed by the offender which shed light on offence A or offence B so as to disclose some aggravating factor in either of them.

If an aggravating factor was revealed by such circumstances, the sentencer was entitled to weigh it in deciding the seriousness of either A or A and B in combination. Relevant circumstances would usually be those which bore on the offender's guilty mind; for example, they might show an aggravating element of planning, deliberation or selection, or they might disclose some added gravity of criminal purpose in the

instant outsites.

If the instant offence was house burglary by night, the mere fact that the offender had six previous convictions for house burglary by night would not make the instant of the province of the instant offence more serious, al-though it could rebut a mitigation on behalf of the offender that his offence

behalf of the offender that his offence was a one-off piece of opportunism.

However, if the burglary was at the home of a widow aged 80, the fact that the previous offences were also burglaries of elderly widows could be a circumstance disclosing an aggravating factor in the instant offence, namely, that the offender had deliberately targeted or selected an elderly victim.

The motive of an offence of stealing a credit card might be to use it to acquire modest necessaries for an indigent

modest necessaries for an indigent family. In such a case, even coupling the acquisition of the card with one instance of its use would probably not justify a

or its use would probably not justify a custodial semence.

However, given a case in which the offender asked for many other offences to be considered of using the card to acquire large amounts of luxury goods, the court would be emitted to look at the circumstances of the other offences as disclosing the motive for stealing the card, and therefore, the gravity of that offence and might conclude that section

1(2)(a) applied.

R v Cox (David Geoffrey)

Section 1(2) provided that the court was not to pass a custodial sentence on was not to pass a class of the opinion
"(a) that the offence ... was so serious
that only such a sentence can be justified
for the offence". The 1991 Act did not attempt a definition of the expression 'so serious that only such a sentence can

However, their Lordships thought that Lord Justice Lawton's formulation of the words in R v Bradbourn (†1985) Cr App R (S) 180, 182-183) in relation to section 1(4) of the Criminal Justice Act 1982, "so serious that a non-custodial sentence cannot be justified" was appropriane to any consideration of the words
of the 1991 Act, which applied not just
to young offenders but generally.
Their Lordships adopted that
formulation, which was that the 1982

phrase came to this. "The kind of offence which when committed by a young person would make all right thinking members of the public, knowing all the facts, feel that justice had not been done by the passing of any sentence other than a custodial one."

The prevalence of a particular class of offences and public concern about them were relevant to the seriousness of an instant offence, as had been made clear in R v Cunningham (November 27) (ante). However, the court was not required to pass such a sentence even though such offences were provalent. The court was still required to consider

whether such a sentence was appropriate having regard to the mitigating factors available and relevant to the offender, as opposed to such factors as were relevant to the offence section.

28(1). wrong in principle for the court to be Mr David Calvert-Smith. In reaching a decision that the provided with a list of the defendant's CPS. HQ. for the Crown.

appellant, aged 18, was to be put on probation their Lordships were satisfied that the offence of reckless driving was scrious enough to warrant the mak such orders, pursuant to section 6(1). R v Baverstock

R v Baverstock

A statisticy duty under section 1(4) of
the 1991 Act was imposed on a judge in
passing sentence. Accordingly, before a
custodial sentence was passed the court
was required, as a matter of duty, to state
its opinion in the terms laid down,
namely, (i) to state in open court that it
was of the opinion that either or both
paragraphs (a) and (b) of section 1(2)
applied and (ii) in any case, to explain to
the offender in open court and in
ordinary language why it was passing a
custodial sentence on him.

In their Lordships view a judge
should state simply that, in his opinion,
either or both subsections (2)(a) or (2)(b)
applied, using the words of the subsection. Having stated his opinion in
that way the judge was then required to
state why he had reached that opinion
and to explain his reasoning to the
offender.

In general their lordships did not

In general their Lordships did not consider that that had normally to be a two-stage process. In most cases that should be unnecessary and the judge should be winecessary and the judge should be while at one and the same time to explain in ordinary language the reasons for his conclusion and tell the offender why he was passing a custodial

When complying with that second requirement, however, the judge would be addressing the offender directly and if, in complying with section 1(4)(a) he did not use ordinary language, it would be necessary for him to go on to do so in order to comply with subsection (4)(b). The precise words used by a judge were not critical. The statutory provisions were not to be treated as a verbal

visions were not to be treated as a verbal tightrope for judges to walk. Given that the judge's approach accorded with the statutory provisions, the Court of Appeal would not be sympathetic to appeals based on fine linguistic analysis of the sympathetic property.

sentencing remarks.
Sentencing judges had to comply with their statutory duty but if they erred the Court of Appeal would not interfere with

Court of Appeal would not interfere with the resultant sentence unless it was wrong in principle or excessive. It had been argued that prevalence of offences was irrelevant to the seriousness of an offence. The correct approach to offences which were prevalent was considered in R v Canningham (ante). In relation to the provision in section 29(1), that an offence was not to be reseated as more serious by reason of regarded as more serious by reason of any previous convictions of the offender or any failure of his to respond to previous sentences, the list of the appellant's previous convictions and the orders made following conviction could not on its own, be treated by the court as having any significance as to the seriousness of the particular offences

before the court. Their Lordships rejected a connected aspect of counsel's submission on that topic: the proposition that, following the implementation of the 1991 Act it was

irrelevant and the court should consid only those matters which, in the submission of counsel for the Crown, could properly be regarded as relevant for the rposes of the section.

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The court had still to be supplied with The court had still to be supplied with a list of previous convictions. It was for the judge, if he thought it appropriate, to seek information about the circumstances of previous convictions committed by the defendant of to require that the existing information should be amplified. Nothing in the 1991 Act appreciate that the procedure in relection suggested that the procedure in relation to previous convictions now established for many years was inappropriate, and it would be surprising if it had.

A submission that the offender committed an offence while on bail was not an aggravating feature of the offence was misconceived. Attorney-General's References (Nos 3, 4 and 5 of 1992) (unreported. June 30, 1992) encapsulated the relevant principles: "The other indictments are, however, relevant ... because the two offenders... were on lead to expect of these two indicates... bail in respect of those two indictments at the time when they committed the offence of conspiracy and, in our judgment, that does amount to an aggravating feature of the offence of conspiracy such as to be relevant to the appropriate sentence.

There were some circumstances in which fairness to a defendant required the judge to tell counsel that he had a particular course in mind. The most obvious, which required no citation of authority, arose when the court was considering a discretionary life sentence.

in the normal class of case it would rarely be necessary for the judge to indicate in express terms that he was considering a custodial sentence. The most important issue in the majority of cases was whether or not there had to be a custodial sentence. It was the obvious question to which any counsel would address his attention. A submission on that aspect was unjustified.

However, their Lordships gave general guidance on one new problem which would have to be faced by sentencing judges, namely, before a sentence for such longer term, not exceeding the maximum for a violent or sexual offence (section 2(2)(b)), was imposed the court should give an express indication to counsel that it was being considered. That would enable counsel to deal specifically with the point. Fairness to the defendant required that a proper opportunity be given for that purpose.

Mr Philip G. Meredith for Cunningham: Mr Andrew J. Robertson for Oliver and Little: Mr Mr Roger Belle-Fortune for Okinikan; Mr Andrew Robertson for Robinson: Mr Jeremy Richardson, instructed by CPS, HQ, as amicus curiae in Robinson: Mr Andrew F. Jackson for Bedey; Mr David Bennett for Summers: Miss Kathyrn Johnson for Harrison: Mr Amin Welch for Cox Mr Graham O. J. Cooke for Baverstock, all defence counsel assigned by the Registrar for Criminal Appeals: Mr David Calvert-Smith, instructed by

### Tenant not liable for assignee's default

Herbert Duncan Ltd

Chattons (a Firm) Before Lord Justice Nourse, Lord Justice Evans and Sir Michael

[Judgment November 25] A tenant who assigned a business tenancy did not remain contractually liable to the landlord after the expiry of the term of the lease. The landlord could not recover from that tenant rent arrears resulting from the assignee's de-fault during the continuation of the tenancy under the terms of the

Landiord and Tenant Act 1954. The Court of Appeal so held in reserved judgments dismissing an appeal by the plaintiffs, the City of London Corporation, from the decision of Mr Desmond Perren, QC, sitting as a deputy judge of the Queen's Bench Division (The Times August 7, 1991; [1992] 3 All ER 224) refusing their claim for rent arrears of £33,460 against the defendants, John Arnold Fell. John Edward Hayward and

Edward Denham Sturmer. In the second case, heard consecan appeal by tenants, the defen-dants who were four partners in Cluttons, a firm of surveyors, from an order for summary judgment under Order 14 of the Rules of the tiffs, Herbert Duncan Ltd. Mr Andrew Arden, QC and Mr

Duncan Ltd.

The question was whether it also had the effect of continuing the tenancy before that date.

The question was answered by Mr Desmond Perrett, QC, in the negative and by Mr Justice Tudor

a question that was so fun-damental to the working of Part II of the 1954 Act had not earlier arisen for decision. Probably it had taken the effects of a serious recession on the solvency of assignees to make the question a live one.

London City Corporation v £113,452 made by Mr Justice Fell and Others Tudor Evans in December 1991 in favour of landlords, the plain-

Noah Weiniger for the City of London: Mr David Neuberger, QC and Miss Erica Foggin for Fell, Hayward and Sturmer: Mr Mr Jonathan Brock for Herbert LORD JUSTICE NOURSE

said that the effect of section 24(1) of the 1954 Act was to continue a tenancy of business premises after the end of the contractual term. contractual obligations of an original tenant who had assigned the

Evans in the affirmative. Which of them was right? It might be thought curious that

In the first of the two cases, the plaintiffs in 1977 had demised business premises to the defen-

1979 the defendants had lawfully inal tenant had assigned the assigned the lease to a company, G Ltd. G Ltd had continued in occupation under the 1954 Act

term.

tenancy was not come to an end unless terminated in accordance with the statutory provisions. "Ten-ancy" was not defined in the Act. It had to bear its ordinary legal meaning. To what did it refer in a case where the original tenant had

ant. He no longer held the land. It was the assignee who now held the land. It was he who had the

after the expiry of the contractual There was no doubt that the effect of section 24(I) was to

continue the tenancy as between the plaintiffs and G Ltd. But in December 1986 G Ltd was compulsorily wound up, having failed to pay the rent due to the plaintiffs in March. The plaintiffs then looked to the defendants, as original lessees, for payment of the arrears. By section 24(1) of the Act a

assigned the tenancy before the end of the contractual term? A tenant in ordinary legal par-lance was someone who held land for another. Although he might remain contractually liable to the landlord, an original tenant who had assigned the tenancy could not properly be described as the ten-

The next question was whether a

Webb v Emo Air Cargo (UK) tenancy before the end of the contractual term the tenancy which section 24(1) provided was not to come to an end was, and could only be, the tenancy of the

assignee. Since the contractual obligations of the original tenant formed no part of the legal relationship between the landlord and the assignee, and since they she berself was pregnant, her were not independently continued dismissal by her employers had not, within the provisions of the by the subsection, they were in no If, as here, the original tenant

had covenanted to pay rent only during the contractual term, the landlord could not recover from him any rent payable thereafter. The defendants were entitled to succeed on the appeal. That same issue was the first question raised by the defendands the woman's dismissal as having been her unavailability for the job in the second case and for the reasons stated was to be resolved in

Two subsidiary questions ques-tions had also been raised. They depended on the terms of the contract between the parties and their resolution did not affect the defendants' entitlement to succeed

way affected.

on the appeal. Sir Michael Kerr gave a concur-ring judgment and Lord Justice Evans agreed.

Solicitors: Mr A. J. Colvin; Wilde Sapte: Wray Smith & Co. Forsyte

# Pregnancy dismissal case referred to Europe

Before Lord Keith of Kinkel, Lord Griffiths, Lord Browne-Wilkinson, Lord Mustill and Lord Slynn of

Hadley [Speeches November 26] Where a woman had been ened to replace another who wa pregnant and then discovered that

Sex Discrimination Act 1975, constituted unlawful discrimina-Since, however, it was not clear from decisions of the Court of Justice of the European Commu nities whether that court would regard the fundamental reason for

and not her pregnancy, questions would be referred to the European Court of Justice before final judgment was given. The House of Lords so ordered on an appeal by Ms Carole Louise Webb from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Glidewell, Lord Jus-tice Balcombe and Lord Justice Beldam) (The Times December 30, 1991; [1992] ICR 445), who had affirmed the Employment Appeal Tribunal (Mr Justice Wood, Mr T. S. Batho, Mr A. C. Blyghton, Mrs M. L. Boyle and Mrs M. E. Sunderland) (The Times February 21, 1990; [1990] ICR 442) which

had dismissed Ms Webb's appeal from an industrial tribunal. Section I of the 1975 Act provides: "(1) A person discrimi-nates against a woman in any circumstances relevant for the purposes of any provision of this Act if

— (a) on the ground of her sex he

treats her less favourably than he treats or would treat a man..." Section 5 provides: "(3) A comparison of the cases of persons different sex ... under section 1(1) ... must be such that the relevant circumstances in the one case are the same, or not materially different, in the other."

Mr Stephen Sedley, QC and Ms Deborah King for Ms Webb; Mr David Pannick, QC, as amicus curiae; the respondent employers, Emo Air Cargo (UK) Ltd. were not

LORD KEITH said that at her interview Ms Webb had been told that the job of import operations clerk was available because another of the clerks, Mrs Stewart. was pregnant. Ms Webb would need about six months' training from Mrs Stewart so as to be able to replace her during her maternity leave. Mrs Stewart's return therewould not mean that Ms Webb would have to leave.

About two weeks after starting work Ms Webb had thought that she herself might be pregnant. The employers managing direc-tor had told her that he had no

The industrial tribunal had held that the real reason for Ms Webb's dismissal had been not direct or indirect discrimination on the ground of her sex but her anticiground or her sex out her attuc-pated inability to carry out the primary task for which she had been recruited, that is, to cover Mrs Stewart's job during the latter's

### absence for maternity leave, and that a man recruited for the same purpose would have been treated similarly if he had declared that he required to be absent during the

critical period. general to dismiss a woman because she was pregnant or to refuse to employ a woman of childbearing age because she might become pregnant was unlawful direct discrimination.

Child-bearing and the capacity for child-bearing were characteris-tics of the female sex. So to apply those characteristics as the cri-terion for dismissal or refusal to employ was to apply a gender based criterion, which the majority of the House of Lords in James v Eastleigh Borough Council (1990) 2 AC 751) had held to constitute unlawful direct

In the present case, however there had not been any direct application of a gender-based criterion. It had been Ms Webb's expected non-svailability during the period when she had been needed to cover for Mrs Stewart that had been the critical factor. The question was whether it was

legicimate to make a comparison between the non-availability of a woman by reason of expected confinement and the non-availability of a man, which might or might not be for medical

under section 5(3) of the 1975 Act. The argument for Ms Webb was that, when comparison was made

There could be no doubt that in eneral to dismiss a woman account of her confinement at the critical time and a man, then, because a man could not be unavailable for the same reason. dismissal of or failure to engage the pregnant woman constituted

discrimination. The correct comparison, however, was with a hypothetical man who would also be unavailable at the critical time. The precise reason for the unavailability was not a relevant circumstance, and in particular it was not relevant that the reason was a condition that was capable of affecting only women, or, for that matter, only

On a proper construction of the relevant provisions of the 1975 Act, Ms Webb's dismissal had not in the circumstances of the case constituted direct unlawful discrimination under section 1(1)(a). Nor had it constituted indirect unlawful discrimination

and Case C-179/88 Handels-og Kontorfunktionaerernes Forbund

Justices' roster scheme

reasons, for the purpose of i Danmark v Dansk Arbejdsgiver postulating relevant circumstances forening (The Times December 20. forening (The Times December 20. 1990; [1992] ICR 332), the court had not had to consider the situation where a woman, on account of her pregnancy, would not be able to carry out, at the time when her services were required. the particular job for which she was applying or for which she had

been engaged.

The two decisions did not give any dear indication whether in such a situation the court would regard the fundamental reason for the refusal to engage the woman or for dismissing her as being un-availability for the job and not her

pregnancy. In the event of the court arriving at a decision that the latter and not the former was the correct view for the purposes of the equal treatment directive (Council Directive 76/207/EEC), it would be necessary for the House of Lords to consider whether it was possible to construe the relevant provisions of the 1975 Act in such a way as to accord with such decision.

It was therefore, appropriate that before final judgment was given on the appeal questions should be referred to the European Court accordingly.

Lord Griffiths, Lord Browne-Wilkinson, Lord Mustill and Lord Slynn agreed. Solicitors: Ms Susan James. Hillingdon; Treasury Solicitor.

### tenancy. It followed that where an orig-Supreme Court in a sum of dants for a term of ten years. In Listing decision is open to review

Regina v Southwark Crown Court, Ex parte Commissioners for Customs and Excise Before Lord Justice Warkins and

[Judgment November 16]

A crown court listing decision which could affect the validity of a proposed crial was susceptible of judicial review.

The judge who had presided at a preparatory hearing of a serious and complex fraud trial had to be, save in exceptional circumstances,

the same judge who conducted the trial before the jury.

The Queen's Bench Divisional
Court so held, in a reserved judgment quashing Southwark Crown Court's direction that the trial of R v Ben and Others be tried by a judge other than Judge Anwyl-Davies, QC.

Mr Nigel Pleming, QC, Mr Richard P. Sutton, Mr Nigel Peters and Miss Janine Sheff for the prosecution: Mr Charles Flint for the crown court LORD JUSTICE WATKINS, giving the judgment of the court, said that Judge Anwyl-Davies had

presided at a preparatory hearing of R v Ben, a complex fraud case. The case had then been listed for hearing before Judge Mota Singh, to Judge Mota Singh that he had no power to hear the case or that, in all the circumstances, he ought

not to hear it. Judge Moia Singh had decided that he could and would conduct the trial. The prosecution argued that by virtue of section 8 of the Criminal Justice Act 1987 the preparatory hearing before Judge Arrwyl-Datrial and the changing of the judge

in mid-trial would render the trial a nullity, certainly where no reason which could justify a change of

had to be resolved was whether the court had jurisdiction to review the listing decisions of Southwark Crown Court.

judge existed.

court except "in matters relating to trial on indictment". In In re Smalley ([1985] AC 622) Lord Bridge of Harwich had construed that phrase as meaning "an order affecting the conduct of the trial". In the court's judgment, the decisions of the crown court were not merely "orders affecting the conduct of the trial" of the defendants, they were orders which, if followed, might affect the validity of a hearing before the jury. The

result of implementing the de-cisions might be that there would

Where, on an application for

financial provision under section 2

of the Inheritance (Provision for

Family and Dependants) Act 1975, the deceased's net estate

consisted of a beneficial half share

to a joint tenancy of a property

subject to a mortgage secured by an endowment policy of insurance, the value of the deceased's sev-

erable share was determined, pursuant to section 9(1), at the time "immediately before his death"

since he had the right to sever the

joint tenancy up to the time of his

Powell v Osbourne

A preliminary question which

concluded that it did have jurisdic-

trial commenced by one judge could be continued by a second iudee. It was the court's firm opinion that in a criminal trial there was no power to change the judge once the Under section 29(3) of the Supreme Court Act 1981 the court had jurisdiction over the crown jury had been sworn until the moment at which the jury returned

to give its verdict. It was permissible, if there was a sufficient reason, such as death or iliness of the trial judge, for another judge to take the jury's verdict. The mere taking of the verdict could not possibly be affected, so far as the new judge was concerned, by anything which had

taken place in the trial up to that Did the same principle apply to the trial of a serious and complex

had been set out in the Fraud tion to review the crown court's Trials Committee Report (1986 decisions.

In the court's judgment, the correct principle was that stated in the thirty-fourth recommendation of the committee, namely that the judge presiding at the preparatory hearings had to be the judge who, save in exceptional circumstances. was to conduct the trial.

Administrative convenience would not be a sufficient reason for changing the judge in a complex preparatory hearings and the proceedings in front of the jury. What amounted to exceptional circumstances would have to be resolved on a case-by-case basis. Clearly the death or serious illness

of the judge would qualify as exceptional circumstances. However, in the present case no reason had emerged which would, in the court's view, justify the changing of the judge.

### suit of implementing the design of the status. The advantages of having the changing of the judge. Solicitors. Solicitors. Custo Consequently, the court had a complex and serious fraud case and Excise: Treasury Solicitor. Solicitors: Solicitor, Customs

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Dillon and Lord Justice Simon Brown) so held on November 16 allowing the appeal of Patricia Ann Powell against so much of the judgment of Mr Recorder J. R. Platt on September 6, 1991, at Edmonton County Court and ordering that the respondent. Mary Osbourne, pay to the appellant within six months

£15,000 from the net estate. LORD JUSTICE DILLON said that if the deceased had in fact

severed the joint tenancy

Value of deceased's share immediately before death, he would have been entitled to a half share of the property subject to the mortgage and a half share of the insurance policy moneys, notwithstanding there was no surrender value nor was there realistically

pregnancy had subsequently been confirmed. any sale value in the policy. It could not be right that under the 1975 Act the value of the deceased's estate was made without regard to his imminent death so that the deceased was entitled to a half share of the property, and a half share of the insurance moneys

### under section 1(1)(b). In two decisions of the European Court of Justice, Case C-177/88 Dekker v VIV (The Times December 20, 1990; [1992] ICR 325)

Regina v Brent Justices. Ex the Brent bench were eligible to parte Richards Before Lord Justice Watkins and

Mr Justice Rock [Judgment November 12] A roster scheme which identified the chairman of a bench of justices as well as the justices who would comprise the court was neither unlawful nor ultra vires.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held in a reserved judgment in allowing an application for judicial review brought by Mr Sidney Gordon Richards against the decision of Brent Justices communicated in a letter dated February 7, 1991 that Mr Richards had failed chairmanship training sessions and would not be allowed to take the chair in court.

While finding the roster scheme itself lawful, the court found the decision that Mr Richards had failed the course invalid as being unfair and pervesse. Mr Richard Gordon for Mr Richards Mr Nigel Pleming, QC, for the justices and the Lord Chancellor's Department.

MR JUSTICE ROCH. delivering the judgment of the court, said that Mr Richards had been a JP since 1968. In 1975 he presided for the first time as chairman in a magistrates court.

He had presided regularly from then until February 7, 1991 when the decision of which he complained was communicated to him.

In November 1988 at a bench meeting, to which all members of

is not unlawful attend, a decision was taken that the roster would not merely specify the justices who would comprise the court but would also identify

the justice who would take the

A justice cold not be nominated to preside unless he was a justice with five or more years active service and had successfully com-pleted a course of chairmanship training approved by their magistrates court training committee.
Mr Richards attended a chairmanship training course in December 1990. In January 1991 he received a pro forma invitation to attend a lecture. Owing to a

prior engagement he was unable At that time he had received no intimation whatsoever that he had failed to meet a requirement for presiding at a magistrates' court or that his attendance at the lecture was desirable let alone necessary if

he was to be eligible to preside over courts.
The first submission made on behalf of Mr Richards was that the roster scheme, in so far as it purported to choose which justice would preside over a court was unlawful because it conflicted with the Justice of the Peace Act 1979 and with the relevant rules in the Justice of the Peace (Size and Chairmanship of the Bench) Rules (SI 1986 No 923) and the Justice of the Peace (Size and Chairman-ship of the Bench) Rules (SI 1990)

No 1554 (L15)). In their Lordships judgment, the roster scheme was neither unlawful nor ultra vires. The rostering scheme did not limit the discretion of justices present, where one of them was not an elected chairman or deputy chairman, to choose one of their number to preside in the event of a presider

not having been chosen by the rostering system itself. Mr Pleming submitted that the rostering system was a sensible system particularly for a bench the size of Brent where there might be three justices sitting on a particular day in a particular court none of whom might have met each other

Mr Pleming pointed out that seniority alone was now no longer accepted as being a sound basis for selecting a justice to preside over a Their Lordships accepted Mr

Pleming's submission that there was no evidence that the matering scheme was operated in breach of section 17(2) of the 1979 Act. Their Lordships went on to find that the decision expressed in the letter of February 7 was invalid as being unfair and perverse on the

Solicitors: Arnold Rosen & Co-Treasury Solicitor.

### Correction

In Regina v East Berkshire Corp. ner, Ex parte Buckley (The Times December 1) the solicitors for the applicant wate Stewart & Co. Tottenham, not Stewart & Co.

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Unclassified: R D Bloom A C Bolter. C L
Boulton: R A Briggs: S N Daves; H M
Dolman. H V Evans; R R P Fricone: C
M Gaies: S A Grant. S P Grostin. L
Higgins: P G Huddleston: C P Jolly: B F
J Ulfinis: K L Lockeri: R MacLaren. L J
Manser, J McKle: C J H Montgomery: F
L Nickson: A L Pierce: J L Potts: C
Smart: J P Stern; C W Stoddart: D J
Swann: C E Turren: J L Wallis

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Class II (Div 2): D J Alien: R C Alien: S J
Bache: G D Earker: C M Batten; P F
Belson: R Birch: E L A Browning: J J
Buck: S J Cecchimi: D Chadwick: D L
Cooper: P A Coxon, R J Davies: R J
Earle: C L Edwards: L A Edwell. R Ford:
A L Francis: F S Gnme: H Hewit: D A
Jenkinson: H E Jones; S Jones. P C
Kinch: P F Makepeace: P Z Manley: E A
Martin: K Mayes: J McKechnie; H
Morrison: P Poole: N M Reaney: S K
Tumber: M T Whitty: C J Wild: T M Y
Wong Wong Class III: E Ansarl; E L Brooks; R O Doyle: N E Gilkes, A J Holloway: S Murphy; S D Smith: F C Wellins

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A G Crowe: J E C Perris: M A Powell: I

Class II (Div 2): D Brayshaw: J E Buksh: P H Cheetham; L J Heals. S A Meehan: N K Oddy. R G Powell; J Rattenbury: W Todd Unclassified: J E Bailey

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G Wetherop Class III: H Mistry Class III: H Mistry

LLB (Hons) (F-4)

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JB Berman: JA Brown: RJ Butters: D S

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Gill; S A Gill: A P Gumbs: G K Jandu; J
F Penrose: R D Price: G S Rehman: C L
Richmond: K L Robinson. N Sadler: M
L Singleton: Y F Sh: S J Story: C

Warwick: K M Weich: S G Wilson

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Bennett: A Berle: R Bhabra: Z Bibl: M
M Brown: M J Christy: B T Coghlan: RJ
des Forges: J R Fowler: S M Green: C H
Grimston: S C Johnson: H I Lewis: K

Malmood; S M Moran: S Parveen; N orunston; S C Johnson; H I Lewis; K Mahmood; S M Moran; S Parveen; N Patel; A T Pattinson; I D Phillip; A K Plummer; J E Spencer; A D P Tierney; M Uddin; W F N Wan Idris; R L Whitehead

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European Business Class III: 5 J Holmes onication (f-t) Health Care Studies (p-t)

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Class II (Div I ): C M Close Management Administration

and Social Policy (f-t) Class 11 (Div 2): D S Xaba Management and Administration (f-t) Class II (Div 2): S M Faal-Trinn

Social Studies (f-t) Class II (Div I): D C Beacroft: J P Hospitality Management (p-t) Class 11 (Div 2): L M Christopher

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Class II (Div 1): W F Cheshire; J A Glen;
5 J Manchester: J Farsons: N T Searby:
V Tuley
Class II (Div 2): L Boltel-Gill: R J
Downes: R Fielding: K I Hlorns: A J
Ray: K G Lownes
Class III: D P E Cooke: N D Wild

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3D Design Product (f-t) Class I: T A Rowe Class II (Div I): V L Firth: S C Lewis; L J Neesham: D M Telling Class II (Div 2): D McGravie; N B Claus ett: M J H Evans: A T C Frears: Y K Lau: D Waldman

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Class I: A L Degg. J R Fnedlander, S J
Hamilton; M Jackson; M J Marston
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Bennen: S Curds; J M Dobson: S E
Doyle: A L Killinger; J B Lardener; S L
Macbeth: A J McCulloch: S J Mecham:
R D T Murray: S H Tan: A J Western; J
Woollett Class II (Div 21: I M Aubres: R J Banks:

J P Benenshaw: C Bowes; L A Brown: F Chow: F C Deaville; J A G Goodard; J I Greenwood: J M Gregson: B R Hall; C J Greenwood: J M Gregson: B R Hall; C J Hamer: D J Holland; R A Holl: K J Little: NJ Nelson: S J Nimmo: C S Ong: H Patel: K J Sanders: A I Stoddart: R D CLASS [IT: G Scavetta

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Hall: S C Harrison; D C W Lee: T J M
Lewis: H C Lloyd: C Mackenzie-Davey:
L E G McEwan; E V Phillips: R A Scott;
V R Spendlove Class II (Div2): M J Barnes: C A Gratty: A K Lyall; A Price: G L Redman-Schaffer; A R Williams Class III: S J Bellis; J E Hambly: H C

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Selley: K E Fisher, K S Genin: A
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S P Naylor: V J Nevill: C L Peasant: S G
Poskint: R A Smith: T Sowerby: S L
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Class II (Div I): S Abdulia: S C B Barber: S M Doyle: J E Evans: M Kwater: D R K May: A M Patel; C Rowland: E A Stuart Class II (Div 2): T A McGowan; R Shalkh

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Nursing (F4)
Class I: N J Forbes
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Jones: S M Joy: J Norddahl: P S
Normington: J R Peevor: A Smalling: H
J Turner: M A Waish
Class II (Div 2): S Ara; L S Kiridey: D
Lockyer: M Manifield; S McNell: S E
O'Relly: M A Robinson: R Sharma; M
M Sherafa; K S Tyndall: G Williams; J
F Wordsworth

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J. A. Chester, E. Crathern; J. Firth: I
Goulden: P. J. Hugher: D. G. Kirching, R.
McMaster, G. Nichols: S. J. Ryan: J. TakTrueman; A. M. Venables; J. White: J.
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Engineering (F4)
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Baternan: V Georgiou
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Class I: P J J Bray: A Caffrey: P M
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G W Griffiths; P J Hlichen; I Horvath;
M J Hyde, P N S Matarup; G B Millar; L
K Odi; G W Paley; G S Reddington; F
Ryan; A D Shepherd; J G Stathatos; K
Thekisto; W M Wan Ibrahim
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L R Blackshaw; I Burkey: E J Cox: A N
Farthing: L Gildersleeve: P R Kindey;
M T Larkdn: A L Moreton: J A Shingler M T Laridn; A L Moreton: J A Shingler
Class II (Div 2): M J Armstrong: L M
Ayres; R E Bail; V A Bernstein; R W
Brown; M J Chadwick; G D Dhamecha:
G E Edwardes, S J Heath; J L Higham;
A B Hopkins; K E Lingard; M A Loan; S
L Loughlin; A P McAlernan; A J Plaits;
F C Stevens: S J Taylor; V L Williams
Pass: N Andrew; S J Goldsmith; T E
Morgan; T E Pearce; K Redmond; E
Stead

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Information Science (f-t) Class I: P Blackburn; R V Crook: L Delamore Class II (Div I ): M Lunn; N \$ Martin; S Patel; A R Pearson; J S Simpson; N Wilson Wilson Class II (Div 2): P Blackmore: M Kulas, S E Large: L J S Ramm; F Schall; S A Class III: S C Connaghan; G W McClelland; E k Musharbash; N Nazir

Class III: S C Commanan; G W McCietland; E K Musharbash; N Nazir Computing (sw)

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Long: N E A Mapp; M McPeake; J
Parlit; C R Penny; J Pinder; R Savard;
Z S Shoesmith; H J Smith: J N
Southworth; E L Thomas Southworth; E. Thomas
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Cumming: B P Donohoe; C. L Edwards;
JJ Etridge; N Fanning: E M Grogan; W
O Harding: J L Huxley; L M Keogh; P A
Marshall; S C McBride; D V Michael;
G J Morrison; N J O'Hanlon; L J Powell; R
M Swallow; M Y Sylvester; B R
Trembath; I S Webster
Unclassified: C E Mansfield; R L
Wilner.

Home Economics (f-f)
Class I: J N Carter: S E Richardson; A M

Class II (Div I): C E Atkins; J L Bayley: W Cordner; R A Higginson; K J Lodge; P M M Mc Caffrey: A Mischell: C H Nunts A Robertson: P Spilman Nunn: A Robertson: F Spittman
Case II (Div 2): D J Beccroft: H J Beggs:
M A Craig: J Danks: J Darbyshire; S P
Davey: C E Fawley: C B Gregg: A
Hodson: S J Hudson: K V A Reactors; N
Raur: C M Lambert: R Lambury; A M
Manthews: E P Mistry; B Ng. R V Owen;
H L Redwood: M P C Skware: J M
Switcheshie J C Warner C M Weele: I Redwood; M P C Skwara; J M ank: L C Warner; C M Weeks; L

Human Movement Studies (f-6) Class II (Div 1): L.S. Ablett A.J. Bell; S.E. Breeze: E. L. Chubbe; H. C. Evans; S. C. Goldson: J. H. Govan; V. H. Grant; N. Green; M Greenwood; A L Jacobs, A K Liefeith; C Luffman; S C Middiam; J C M Mosley; G Parrott, M T Pepper; P J Scott; G F Shephard; P J Stapley; A A Tyroxy

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Class II (Div I): T Byfield: A D Crossland: A E Curdaci: B J Gore: N Green: S V Kaveney: J J Lomax: I R Scott Scott
Class B (Div2): N J Alkin: B A Banfill: P
D Barnes; L J Brabenes; C L Brearies; J
M Broadhust; N J Bromage: N A
clook: R E Edwards; P J Globs; E M
Guille: T J Hutchings; A P Hywell: B
Johnson: C J Lancaster; H M Linder; D J
Loy; N R L Mouncer; V J Part; M E
Rosone: N W Schoffeld; R A Smith; C K
Taylor: M Walwyn

BSc (Hons) Hospitality Management and Related Service (I-f) Class I: H Danvers: M P A Glover, A E

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Hofayz H R Livesey; C Lovet; A
Mahon; A R Marshall: M C Reid; M L
Smith; D Stanton; S Stewart: A D
Sugden; A C Triffin; S J Woods, U H
Zelewski

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Unclassified: F R Brown; V L Dawson; D Lawrance: R J S Newbound; A M C Seaton; J E Slater, S J Thorpe Pass: S Dhawan; S G Hesketh; J W McGlbbon; J G Youngson BA (Flons)

Social Policy and Admin (F-6)
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Fincham; S R Garfinkel; S J Ghting; J
Griggs: V Hampson; T Igbal: K M
Luck: J R Macer-Wright: R Moore: M F
Ndzings: F Polland; C A Pullan: R
Qureshi: C D Ridley; N Shaw; K J
Suthers; A D Walkers; A Waterton; A B
Webster; S J Withers
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Rogers; M. Speck; P. Springer; L. D.
Thortpson; A.J. Vaughan
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Climical Language Sciences (F4)
Class I: M J Thackray
Class II (Div 1): P L Bowen; J Coltari: C
E Exley, R H Saunders
Class II (Div 2): S L Barbe; J C Distena; S
J Olswang; P J Redstone
Unclassified: D J Begent: C S Brindley;
E M G Cameron; J Chamberfain; C S
Cheung; E Heard; J E Lindsay; A
Moore: C A O'Halloran; M L Simon
Distinction: A D Cansdale; M Evans: C
J Finlow; S Khan; V M Page BEd

Early Years (f-f)
Pass: T E Annal; & Appleyard; E M

Church: C M Davies: K Dickinson; D J Florence; Y M McImber; S C Morris: D Sharp: A Walsh: A Wilson BEd (Hous)

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Class to A Sanders
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Class II (Div 2): R S Adams: I L Ducker:
S J Hanon: J Hudson; R M Hudson; A J
Laskey; C A Mediock; J A Swens
Class HI: L J Bainbridge; B Goldsmith:
A V Meek: V L Minchan; L J Wilby Primary English/Drama (f-6) Class I: J M Part
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Hutchin; J C Smith: A S Spier

Class II (Div 2): S J Foster, G Hirst, S P Mcpstead, C L Smith, J Suggin, K J es III: | A Morris; J Todd Primary Geography (f.) Class II (Div 1): T M Guillord: S L

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C A Denion: G M Dyson: N M Heaton:
F I Round: A J Williams
Class EI: M J Arkinson

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J L Gardner: A C Herring: N J Madel; L
M Nicholson: S J Norion; A D Thurlow
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Class II (Div 2): D S Harrison; A P
Hewitt: W E Sidiow: A J Syles; M R
Taylor; K Walton; N G Walson: L C
Wellington-Graham

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J L Duggari: N Hopper; S Hudson; V A
Keymer; M Kovacevic: M R Lowrie: R P
Mannseam; Y Martin: J A Montimer; D
Nicholson; M Shute; K N Simpson: R
M Tatzersfield: J K Thomson: J
Thormon: N H Walch: P F Wilson
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Borret: C J Chapman: G C Coates: N J
Connell: J M Doolan; T A Foster: A J
Fynn; G M H Hampdeer-Thompson: K
J Hawke; N J Higham: S Hughes: K A
Kelly; S P May; D McMorran; E L
Morrison: A C Naslas: S I, Noble: J R
Sanderson: C W Sewell: K M Tatzersall;
W J Taylor: A N Thomas
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Bareman; G S Cocker; G R Davier S J
Dinsdale: S J Gadd; P J Garner: T
Lintern; P J Nash: J F Nicholas: S
Psephend; I H Similans; L J Speight; G
N Taylor; I T Taylor; R W Taylor; G C
Williams; G H Youngs

Secondary Mathematics (Fd)
Pass: R Gopinsthan; D Green; D A
Hyde: F M Johnson; M Newton; S L
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Hardy M P: Hawkins J E: Hill J: Jones J
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Murdoch G A: Pearl J K: Pritchard S C:
Sanders A D: Scarrat J R: Smalley C L:
Stenzel C M. Waslak M; Whittle D J;
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Stenzel C M, Waslak M; Whittle D J;
Carler K N; Goulthorp J E;
Heindl C T J; Higes L C; Hoar P J;
Johnson P; Jones W A L; Mahoney P M;
McLaughlin F G; Napier L; Noden G E;
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Fagg S B: Martin C J; Pierce D J; Rose
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Dickinson R H; Gear B; Gristwood M J;
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Rose J C; Watt R J M; Williamson M J

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Information Systems
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Clare R A: Garnett N M; Lawrence E J;
Minchell L D; Mottram B A; Neste T A;
Pinder D A; Phummer D J B; Sewell N J;
Shilli G C; Smith J M; Williams T
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Bygrave M L; Cowap S C; Dixon G D;
Dymock K J; Edwards P; Porbush U E;
Gunn R J; Edwards P; Porbush U E;
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Jules-Garrington M E; Eelly A M;
Kucukuzun N; Majid N; Martin N P;
McCurdy I C; Meyers E A; Oakes H;
Pickstone D; Radford D; Scriven S J;
Tutin D R; Warren N G; Willmott G A;
Wills A; Woodside N; Kayler K S
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# **Border fined** by referee for disputing decision

By Our Sports Staff

THE Australia captain, Allan Border, yesterday received the stiffest fine imposed on any international player since the International Cricket Council (ICC) implemented its new code of conduct just over a year

ago. The ICC match referee, Raman Subba Row, a former chairman of the Test and County Cricket Board, fined Border Aus\$2,000 (about £900), which is half of his match fee, for showing dissent on Tuesday, the final day of the drawn first Test match against West Indies in

Border and the fast bowler. Mery Hughes, were reported by the umpires, Steve Randell and Terry Prue. Hughes was involved in an exchange with Randell after an appeal for leg-before against the West Indies captain, Richie Richardson, had been turned down. Border also spoke to Randell and pointed to his shin after another leg-before appeal had been rejected.

The players were charged under the third clause of the ICC code of conduct. Hughes was also charged with abusive language. Hughes was fined Aus\$400 (£180), ten per cent of his match fee.

A hearing, which Border did not attend, was held in Brisbane on Tuesday night. Subba Row, who had the power to ban the players for three Tests, said in a statement issued through the Australian Cricket Board that he expected "all players to adhere to the proper standards of behaviour which should prevail in Test and international cricket".

Under ICC rules, the fines

and the players cannot comment on the findings. But before the fines were announced Hughes said he re-gretted his actions and hoped Randell would have no hard feelings the next time their paths crossed.

"It was a spur of the moment thing and I can't remember what was said at the time," Hughes said. "I felt I had a close low shout and it was given not out. It was the thinking he's always right.

"Players get frustrated and things are said but the um-pires have a job to do. As soon as I walked away from the incident, it was forgotten as far as I was concerned and I hope there are no hard feelings."

Aqīb Javed, the Pakistan fast bowier, will miss tomorrow's opening World Series Cup game against the West Indies at Perth because of a stress fracture in the lower back. He has had an injection and a specialist said that Acib should be fit to play again in a few days.

☐ John Morris, who had asked Derbyshire for permission to move to another county, yesterday settled his differences with the club and igned a two-year contract. Morris made his request

after a summer during which his relationship with the captain, Kim Barnett, became strained. "There was a point of principle which had to be addressed." Morris, the Derbyshire vice-captain, said "but Kim has been very positive about everything and we have sorted it out."

Five other Derbyshire players have signed improved and

Rutherford fell shortly be

fore the close, leg-before to a

quicker ball from

Warnaweera, who Martin

Crowe, the New Zealand cap-

tain, accused of being a throw-

er on the first day of the match.

But the bowler's whirling ac-

NEW ZEALAND: First Innings 288 (K R Rutherford 105, C Z Harris 56; O Lyanage 4 for 82).

for 82).

Second innings
B R Hantland low b Ramanayake 52
J G Wright st Wickernasinghe 52
A H Jones c Wickernasinghe 54
A H Jones c Wickernasinghe 54
T M D Crowe c Tillakeratine b Anurasari 11
K R Rutherford low b Warnaweena 53
J T C Vaughan not out 0
C Z Harris not out 0
C Street R 1 4 1 10 10 22

Total (5 wids) 195
†A C Parore, D J Nash, M L Su'a and M 8
Owens did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-110, 2-122, 3-136, 4190, 5-194.

160, 5-194. BOWLING: Ramanayaka 17-6-27-2; Liya-naga 17-4-48-0; Hathurusingha 10-8-22-0; Ranatunga 7-2-26-0; Anurasin 26-11-32-2; Warnawasra 25-15-31-1; Tiliakaratne 1-0-1-

SRI LANKA: First innings 327 for 6 dec (R.S. Mahanama 153, P.A.de Silva 82).

Man of the match: R S Mahansma. Umpires: K T Francis and T M Semara-snghe.

official sponsor. "We were promised it would be done,

but we have yet to see the new

sample of the shirts," Mathur

The first game of the seven-

match series is due to be played in Cape Town next

A spokesman for Benson and Hedges said he was

confident an amicable settle-

Extras (to 8, w 1, no 14) .....

tion satisfied the umpires.

A bright interlude

from Rutherford

Moratuwa: An entertaining ing Warnaweera for six to

half-century by Ken Ruther- square leg.

ford provided the only relief

during a day of otherwise dull,

defensive batting as the rain-

hit first Test match between

Sri Lanka and New Zealand

faded to a draw here

Part of the afternoon was

lost to the weather and from

the 54 overs bowled New

Zealand managed only 91 runs — 53 of them from

Rutherford. New Zealand.

who had a deficit of 39 on the

first innings, had reached 195 for five before the game was

brought to a halt with 13 overs

Blair Hartland was in for

256 minutes for 52 and John

Wright was took 300 minutes over his 42 before he was

stumped off Anurasiri, the left-

Rutherford, by contrast,

reached his half-century off 6 l

balls, hitting Ranatunga, the

Sri Lanka captain for four

fours in one over and going to

his eighth Test fifty by sweep-

Johannesburg: The touring Indian cricket team is refus-

ing to wear the sponsor's logo

for the forthcoming one-day

The team manager, Amrit

Mathur, said yesterday that the Indians will not wear their

navy blue outfits if the emblem

of Benson and Hedges is on

They want it replaced by a

series against South Africa.

arm spinner.



# Cheltenham spar for Cup glory

DENNIS Deacon's two passions in life were football and National Hunt racing, but he grew to deplore the direction his beloved Cheltenham Town were taking and to resent paying extravagant sums to have his horses trained. He solved his problems in a style which says a lot about the man: buying the football club and training the

On Saturday, Cheltenham play in the second round of the FA Cup for the first time since 1947 — about the time that the short-trousered Deacon would walk the 200 yards from his home to the Whaddon Road ground and "look for a grown-up to take me into the game". His interest in the club has come a long way since.

Deacon no longer lives in Whaddon, the unlovely end of Cheltenham, but he never left the town. He made his money by selling two furniture shops. Two years ago, he

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took over the football club bars and 12 months on, dismayed by what he had seen, he took over the club

managers come and go and

with whom I could never see eye to eye," he said. "So I bought them out. To be honest, I partly did it because I had ploughed £120,000 into the bars and did not want the club going

bust on me. But now that I'm

in control, I love it." Deacon and his three fellow directors are all friends. We might have a meeting in the car on the way to the races," he grinned. No one, however, could accuse Deacon of being an absentee chairman. He spends his

working hours in the two-

room club offices and, ever since the cup opponents have been known, he has turned up at 8.30am and answered the phones - after, of course. has supervised earlymorning exercise for his five racehorses, high on Cleeve Hill above the sporting venue for which Cheltenham is bet-

That's our trouble," Deacon said. "Cheltenham is not a football town. I sometimes wonder whether the people want a football club at all. But for all that, we'll have a sell-out of 5,000 for the cup game and I'm glad it was Bournemouth who won the replay with Barnet because I think we can beat them."

ter known

There is an infectious optimism about the man, even if he flies in the face of logic. Bournemouth are second division; Cheltenham are Beazer Homes League, having been relegated last year from the GM Vauxhall

Deacon is philosophical. "It was a bitter blow at the time, but I now think it was for the best," he said. "We've got a very young side and can only get better."

One of the youngest is Alan Nicholls, the goalkeeper, just 18 but a fully grown character. A study in perpetual words and motion, Nicholls regularly infuriates opposition supporters. "At St Albans in the last round he had a beer bottle thrown at him," Deacon recalled. "He picked it up to make sure it was

empty."

There is more linking Saturday's opponents than their tourism status. The Cheltenham manager, Lindsay Par-sons, turned down a coaching iob with Bournemouth last summer, only after days of persuasion by Deacon, and the Bournemouth forward, Peter Shearer, joined them from Cheltenham

"We know a lot about each other," Deacon said. "We'll have a good day.'

Another grin, and the Cots-wold burr added: "and a good

volcano. "This is one of the

best courses we play all year, and I just love it," said Langer,

who has won twice and set a

course record of 272 last year.

"It is a thinking man's

Ernie Els, of South Africa, at

23 the youngest in the field, has shown this year that he

can take on the world's best. He finished joint fifth in the Open at Murfield this year and has won all South Africa's

### **RUGBY UNION**

### Hastings chosen by Scots to take over Sole responsibility

GAVIN Hastings, the Wat-sonians full back, has been appointed Scotland captain for the season. He succeeds David Sole, who retired from international rugby at the end of Scotland's upon to Australia

Hastings, 30, was the obvious choice, having been in the Scotland side since 1986. His previous experience of cap-taincy includes leading Scot-tish schools to victory over English schools and captain-ing the losing Cambridge XV in the 1985 University match. Hastings has also been cap-tain of the Anglo-Scots, and on recent Scotland tours has been a senior figure among

His playing record is prodi-rous. In his first season for Scotland the set a record of 52 points the tive nations championship, and to date in his 41 appearances for Scot-land has scored 392 points. He briefly established a record for one match when he scored 27 points against Romania in the 1987 World Cup, but saw Didier Camberabero exceed that with 30 against Zimba-

bwe in the same competition. Most of Hastings's points have come from kicks, but the Scotland full back has also scored ten tries in his interna-

Hastings will make his first Hastings will make his first appearance as Scotland captain when the national squad trains on Sunday, when four of the Scotlish Exiles will be among the players invited.

Alan Sharp, the Bristol loose-head prop who played for England B before reverting to Scotland, displaces

ing to Scotland, displaces
Duncan Wilson, of Edinburgh; Andrew Reed, the
Bath lock, wins rapid recognition, and Dale McIntosh, who played for Scotland B last season, has also been brought

into the squad. In the backs, Fraser Harrold, of London Scottish. who played for the senior team in the Scotland trial last January, is recalled, along with Andy Nicol, who missed the last national squad session because of injury.

Double Echo

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SCOTLAND SCUAD: Bedies: M Appli (London Scottsh), G Armstrong Forest), C Chalmers (Melrose), F He (London Scottish), G Hast

### Patience pays off for Scottish Exiles

Glasgow...

By DAVID HANDS

WHILE the other home unions have enjoyed their flurry of autumn internationals. Scotland head into the depth of winter with none. Hence the significance of this month's McEwan's inter-district championship, on which may hang selection for the A games against Italy and Ire-land on either side of

Christmas.

Early next week the Scot-land selectors, two of whom were present at Richmond yesterday, will announce the XV to play Italy at Melrose on December 19 so, whatever the conditions, players must seize the time to make their mark. Therefore the Scottish Exiles, in the first of four games in 11 days, were pleased to beat Glasgow by two goals and a penalty goal to a goal at the Athletic Ground.

They had to exercise patience though. A muddy pitch and half a gale were no help to constructive rugby and it was not until the final quarter that the benefits of 11 London Scots playing together were seen to best advantage. Before that the game had seemed to offer only confirmation of an indifferent standard in club rugby north of the border, of which several leading Scottish administrators have com-

plained this season.

Nor were Glasgow helped by the loss of Watt, their substantial prop, who limped off just after the interval. Glasgow — with a draw against Edinburgh and victory over the South to their credit -- were edged out in the final quarter.

The less said of the first half the better. The lineout was a shambles and the Exiles could not make their promise tell until Millard dummied over from a tapped penalty. Glas-gow responded with a pro-tracted forward drive that gave Porter space to cross on his wrong wing and help level matters midway through the second half.

But the Exiles worked their way back. Grecian, a constant thorn in Glaswegian flesh kicked a penalty and the winning try came when Provan did well to charge down Stott's kick and Appleson crossed in the corner for Grecian to add the conversion.

SCORERS: Sootish Ediles; Tries: Millerd, Applieson. Conventions: Gracien (2) Perally goal: Gracien. Glasgow; Try: Porter. Conversion: Berrett.
SCOTTISH EXILES (London Scottish unless stated): M Appleson; N Gracien, F Herrold, M Sty. D Caside (Gloucester); R Cremb (capit, D Millerd; A Sherp (Bristol), L Meir, P Burnell, I Morrison, D Cronin, A Read (Bath), N Proven, D Macintosh (Pontypridd).

(Pontypidds).

GLASGOW: D Barrett (West of Scotland);

R Porter (Edinburgh Academicals), I
R Porter (Edinburgh Academicals), I
Jardine (String County), K Logan (String
County); G Bracksandige (Gasgow HC), F
Stott (West of Scotland); J Gibson (String
County), K McKerzie (String County), A
Wett (Gasgow HC), F Wallace (Gasgow
HC, capt), E Murphy (Glasgow HC), S
Murso (Glasgow HC), B Ireland (String
County), J Brough (String County).
Reteries: D Lestie (Hamilton).

### **RUGBY LEAGUE**

### **Tyrer joins Salford**

SALFORD yesterday signed Gary Tyrer, the Orrell, North of England and Irish under-21 rugby union international full back (Christopher Irvine

Tyrer is the third Orrell player to turn professional with Salford in the past five years. He played rugby league until he was I7 and kicked six goals for Wigan schoolboys at Wembley before the 1982

Darren Abram, the Rochdale Hornets centre, is likely to move to Featherstone Rovers in exchange for the the Rovers

forward, Leo Casey. Paul Carr, the Sheffield Eagles forward, has entered hospital for a cartilage operation.

Wales could be without Paul Moriarty, of Widnes, for the match with France in Perpignan on Sunday week. He has a rib injury.

### WORD WATCHING

logo for Air India, the team's ment would be reached. (AFP)

Monday.

**Badges of discontent** 

Asswers from page 40 SICSAC

(b) An Egyptian species of plover, *Plavianus asgyptias*, which by its cry warss the crocodile of approaching danger, perhaps identical with the trochlins, ultimately from the Arabic zagzag: "Almost too lazy to keep his jaws open while the little sicsac plover picked his teeth".

(b) Legal and other technical jargon, learned gibberish; Steele: "Mrs Sad: The single Question is, whether the Intall is such, that my Consin Sir Geoffry is necessary in this Affair? Bram.: Yes, as to the Lordship of Tretriplet, but not as to the Messuage of Grimgribber."

(c) Relating to dizziness or vertigo, as noun also a medicine used to care dizziness, from the Greek dates a whirling: "Dinic, of, or belonging to, giddiness. Also, applied to medicines that remove

(c) That which may be drunk or supped, liquid, from the Latin sorbere to drink: "This most probably refers to sorbile food, what is vulgarly called spoon-meat."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

The black king is nailed in with 1 Nf8! Qc7 (If 1 ... Rg8 2 Qg5+ and 3 Qe7+ or if 1 ... Qc1 2 f4 wins) 2 f4! Rg8 (If 2 ... Qe7 3 Qg5+!) 3 Qg5+ Kg7 4 Ne6+ wins the queen.

### National position for Bowden

SEAN Bowden, the joint chief coach of the Cambridge Boat Race crew, was yesterday appointed as chief coach to the Great Britain men's lightweight squad (Mike Rosewell writes). He will work closely with Jürgen Grobler, the Amateur Rowing Association coach, who has responsibility for the selection of the men's team for the world

championships.

Bowden is the quiet man at Cambridge, but since he took control also of the Notting-ham County crews, in 1989, he has achieved notable successes, the highlights being world gold and silver medals for his Great Britain under-23 and lightweight eights in 1991 and 1992.

Ron Needs, an international coach for 20 years, has been appointed as the new Great Britain chief coach for women, and Tony Reynolds, the assistant coach to the women's lightweights for the past three years, will be responsible for the lightweight women's squad in 1993, sharing the responsibility for selection with Needs.

Moignan seem to be feeling their years if recent results in

the women's superleague are

anything to go by (Colin McQuillan writes). However,

their commercial instincts are

as sharp as ever.
Opie, who broke down with

harnstring trouble playing at first string for Nottingham

last week, has this week se-cured her game's biggest sponsorship deal, a ten-year

contract with Japan Squash Merchandising for an annual

\$60,000 event in Japan plus \$10,000 to the funds of the

Women's International

Le Moignan, the Windsor

first string, developed calf-muscle trouble this week after

Squash Players Association.

# Faldo faces top-class rivals The Sun City golf course, designed by Gary Player, lies in the crater of an extinct

Miss World contest being held

Sun City, South Africa: Nick Faldo, the world No. I, is favourite in the Million Dollar Challenge here today, but he will be up against the competition's strongest field.

Seven of the world's top ten including Fred Couples,
 Nick Price, Bernard Langer, the defending champon. Ian Woosnam and José Maria Olazábal — will compete for golf's richest first prize. A small group aligned to the African National Congress,

the Bophuthatswana Civic Association (BCA), threatened Sun City casino on Tuesday to disrupt the known as Lost City.

at Sun City on December 12. The BCA said it opposed international events taking place in "a region where there is no free political activity". The ANC and its allies accuse the Bophuthatswana leader, Lucas Mangope, whose

homeland is a creation of apartheid, of violating human rights.

The two events are part of a

series marking the opening of

a £200 million resort at the Sun City casino complex,

### leading tournaments. (Reuter) British pair seek elusive success

Melbourne: Colin Montgomerie and Steven Richardson enter the Johnnie Walker Classic on the Royal Melbourne course here tomorrow with muted expectations (Mitchell Platts writes). Montgomerie has not won for 16

months, Richardson for 21. Montgomerie has good reason to feel frustrated over his long wait for a win, because he lost a play-off for the Volvo Masters to Sandy Lyle and finished runner-up in the Bell's Scottish Open when

been arranging an exhibition series in Brazil last month that

looks likely to produce a South

Sarah FitzGerald, the Australian who chairs WISPA

and was central to both deals,

said they could be worth more than \$1 million to the wom-

en's game during the next

RESULTS: SRA Women's Superleague: Reacok Nottingham 1. Talking Pages Windsor 2 S Homer bt M La Moignen, 6-0, 9-4 ret; R O'Calleighen lost to 3 Fz/Serati. 5-9, 6-9, 2-8, C Niich lost to J Martin, 7-9, 5-9, 1-9); Transcar Projects Countends 3. Lee-on-Solent O (C Jackman bt L Charman, 9-3, 9-4, 7-9, 10-8; S Wight bt C Mett, 9-2, 9-8, 9-4; F Geaves bt S Spacey, 9-2, 9-1, 8-2).

American WISPA tour.

**SQUASH** 

Opie signs big new deal

LISA Opie and Martine Le just two games on the same Moignan seem to be feeling Nottingham court and has

Peter O'Malley, of Australia, finished eagle-birdie-birdiebirdie-eagle.

"I ran close a few times, but that is no consolation," he said. "We are out here to win. I suppose initially I thought about the money, which I suspect is true of us all, but I've been lucky in that I've earned very well. So now I'm only thinking about winning." Richardson shares with Montgomerie the belief that his game has improved this year, and is disappointed.

rather than disillusioned, over

Umpire pulls

out in protest

ON THE heels of Richard

Ford's decision to stop taking

charge of national league

matches, a second internation-

al umpire, Chris Todd, from Northern Counties, has re-

fused to officiate at league and

cup matches until the end of

the season, in another protest at the behaviour of players (Sydney Friskin writes).

the national league umpires co-ordinator, Todd said: "The

behaviour, manners and general attitude has reached an

all-time low. It is currently

quite disgraceful, particularly

regarding some of the senior

players in some of the top clubs in the country."

In a letter to Tony Watson,

failing to win. "I have no intention of allowing not winning to damage my confidence," he said. "I knew it would be difficult to follow what I did in 1992:" Peter Senior, the defending

champion, Rodger Davis, Wayne Grady and Ian Baker-Finch head the Australian challenge. Mark Calca-verhia, of the United States, is also among the challengers, along with Richard Boxall, Gary Evans, Malcolm Mackenzie and Jamie Spence, of

### Cambridge sink in the storms

Challenge Cup final.

Cambridge University .... 0 Bacchanalians.

BY SYDNEY FRISKIN

CAMBRIDGE University yielded in trying weather con-ditions to Bacchanalians, a well-balanced side from the Midlands in the annual match at Coldham's Common

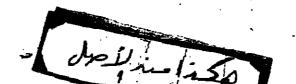
yesterday. Bacchanalians, who were always dangerous on the break held out well under sustained pressure by Cambridge, who were not without their trials and tribulations. Bolgar, the main spring of the

attack, was absent because of infory and Walther retired early in the first half with a hand injury. Slightly against the run of play. Fidler scored in the 25th

minute for Bacchanalians after Wills had made the run. Cambridge were in trouble at the start of the second half, having difficulty keeping the opposing forwards out of the circle. But launching a strong counter-offensive they forced five short corners, all of which came to nothing.

Bacchanalians recovered their composure and increased their lead in the 62nd minute, with Fidler setting up a chance for Deekes to score from close range. In the last couple of minutes Cambridge

In persistent rain the match continued on a badly worn artificial turf pitch, parts of which became waterlogged. Carver (King Edward VI, Southampeur and Corpus Crissis). "P Harvey (Dorothy Stringer HS and St Catherine's). "R Lloyd (Hitchia BS and St John's), C Cate (MCS Wintbledon and St John's), "J Arecott (Tontindge and Megdelens). SACCHANALIANS: N Per Riotinghem), N Graheme (Doroy), C Belost (Mctinghem), In Can (Derby), S Peacott (Motinghem), I Can (Derby), T Oberomahaw (Darot, J Deekes (Northampton Sales), M Darby (Northampton Sales), T Fidler (Mctinghem), Ton Sales).



# Tote widens Gold Trophy appeal

RACING CORRESPONDENT

THE Tote Gold Trophy is being restructured in an effort to revive the fortunes of a race still widely referred to as "The

Following a lacklustre renewal of the handicap hurdle last February, in which only two of the horses in the original handicap were declared to run, the sponsors yesterday announced a package of measures aimed at making the Newbury race one of the highlights of the jumping season.
A £50,000 bonus will be

given to the owner of the race winner if the horse goes on to win the Champion Hurdle at Cheltenham in March. Persian War was the last horse to complete the double in 1968 when he carried 11st 13lb to victory before going on to land the first of three successive victories at Cheltenham. The Tote is increasing its

DOUBLE Echo appeals as an

attractive bet on a competitive

all-weather programme at Lingfield Park this afternoon.

He is my nap.
The Thirty Nine Steps
Handicap has produced a

tightly-knit contest but the

proven ability of Double Echo

on the Equitrack surface is a

strong argument in his favour.

ner over course and distance

last month, beating Awesome

Power by two and a half

lengths, and the form of that

race has worked out particu-

gone on to win impressively

and the fourth, Twilight

Secret, has also won.

in all-weather events.

Awesome Power has since

The greatest danger could

Penny Drops was progress-

He was a comfortable win-

money for the Gold Trophy from £30,000 to £40,000. bringing the total added money to £50,000. While the financial incen-

tives are welcome, the Tote's decision to change the closing date for entries to January 20. four weeks later than this year,



Henderson: will run

Double Echo can supplement

course win in Lingfield feature

MANDARIN

ing well at the end of the turf

Flat season, having won at

Haydock Park and Newbury

before finishing second to

Highland Magic in a big field

pected to improve from his sixth at Lingfield last Satur-

day, his first run for some

three months, while Scales Of

Justice enters calculations on a

decisive victory in a Chepstow

Faynaz, a graduate of the race won by Double Echo, is

taken to win the second divi-

sion of the Dancing Floor

Claiming Stakes. He was sixth

then and this lower grade of

The first division can go to

Nellie Dean, the winner of a

daimer on the grass.

Talented Ting can be ex-

at Doncaster.

help to guarantee a competi-

The disadvantage of early closing dates for races is reflected in this Saturday's William Hill Hurdle at Sandown Park. Although Valfinet has gone up 16Ib in the handicap since a runaway victory at Cheltenham on November 14, Martin Pipe's hurdler will run off his old handicap mark at Sandown, thus frightening away many

potential opponents.

The later closing date for the Tote race, two weeks after The Ladbroke is run at Leopardstown, will enable the handicapper to give a more accurate assessment of the weights and avoid a "blot" on the handicap. As a result there will be no penalties for winners of races after the weights are an-nounced and it will cost £50 less to run at £75 to enter and £175 if declared to run. Nicky Henderson's

maiden on the turf at Catterick

in October. She does, howev-

er, have experience of an all-

weather surface, having finished second to Whitehall

Pistol has failed to live up to the promise of his second to

Tenby, the Derby favourite, at Goodwood in July but he is

worth another chance in the

Three Hostages Maiden

Stakes. He wears blinkers for

Caspian Belnga can im-

prove on his recent second to

The Karaoke King here in the

Greenmantle Handicap. His

front-running style should be

well suited to the tight track.

and distance winner, can con-

chide the proceedings by win-

ning the Fleurets Handicap.

Early speed, often the telling

factor in all-weather sprints, is

his forte and he will make a

bold attempt to make all.

Very Dicey, another course

at Southwell in July.

the first time.

nouncement yesterday that Jopanini will run in the Wil-Indeed, the sponsors in-

least guarantees Valfinet may have to get out of second gear to land the spoils. With the weather responsible for several fixtures being

cancelled, trainers are hastily re-arranging plans. Cool Ground, due to run in the Rehearsal Chase at Chepstow on Saturday, is now likely to be re-routed by Toby Balding to the P & O Handicap Chase at Sandown Park tomorrow. The Whatcombe trainer

confirmed that Romany King is a likely runner in the SGB Chase at Ascot on December 19, while Morley Street is due to run in the Bula Hurdle at Cheltenham next week, his last race before the Champion Hurdie. Forest Sun, his impressive

cilled in for the Pat Taaffe Chase, also at Cheltenham, while Belmount Captain is a Coral Welsh National hope-

novice chaser, has been pen-

stalled him as 12-1 joint

Dibble and Run For Free after the announcement of the weights yesterday. Miinnehoma, one of nine Pipe-trained entries among a total of 53 for the Chepstow contest, is 10-1 favourite.

Pipe has a fine record in the race, having won it three times in the last four years with Bonanza Boy (1988 and 1989) and Carvill's Hill 12 months ago.

Other prices include: 14-1 Chatam, Cool Ground, Gam-bling Royal, Party Politics, Twin Oaks, 16-1 others.

LEADING WEIGHTS: Cool Ground
11st 10tb, Chatsam 11-0, Twin Oeks 110, Parly Politics 10-8, Tipping Tim 10-4,
Millinetroma 10-4, Aquilitier 10-4, Bonarza Boy 10-2, Carrick HB Lad 10-2,
Royal Athlete 10-2, Run For Free 9-12,
Captain Dibble 9-11, Topsham Bay 911, Gambling Royal 9-8, Cushinstown
9-6, Belmount Captain 9-6, Henry Mann
9-6, Pharsoh's Laen 9-1, Latent Talent
9-1, Keep Talking 9-0, Parsons Green
8-13, Rushing Wild 8-12, Boraceva 810, Just So 8-10, The Leggett 8-10,
Esha Ness 8-10. (To be run over 3m
5½f on December 25).

Lyric Fantasy sold, page 40

### Outlook gloomy as rain hits racing programme

RAIN washed out four meetings yesterday and threatens to claim more before the end of the week.

The meetings at Windsor and Uttoxeter today were abandoned because of waterlogging leaving the all-wea-ther Flat programme at Lingfield as the sole survivor. Tomorrow's meetings also suffered. Hereford, where the

course is flooded, and Exeter, waterlogged, were both aban-doned during the day. Further rain could also threaten Sandown, which is due to begin its valuable two-

day meeting tomorrow. The going was changed to soft, heavy in places, and more rain was predicted for last night. "We will see what happens in the next 24 hours. We could just about race at the moment," said clerk of the course

Charlie Moore, the clerk of the course at Nottingham;

Nick Cheyne.

offered a rare bright spot for tomorrow. "There are no problems envisaged at the moment," he said.

The weekend prospects are also gloomy with conditions at both Chepstow and Wetherby now heavy. Saturday's other meeting at Towcester hinges on a 3pm inspection today.

Rodger Farrant, clerk of the course at Chepstow, has his staff working round the clock to save the fixture which features the Rehearsal Chase. "I am slightly happier than I was though we did have half an inch of rain. The course is coping well," he said.

The flat course, which we have been using for hurdles races, is unraceable so we will be moving the flights onto the hurdle course proper. "It will take tomorrow and Friday to complete the task

roids (AAS)

# IOC confirms its support of Sports Council action

Olympic Committee (IOC) medical commission is confident that its support of the English Sports Council's positive drugs test on the weightlifters, Andrew Davies and Andrew Saxton, is correct - and that Profes sor Arnold Beckett's minority

opinion is incorrect. The IOC view comes as Davies and Saxton contemplate legal action because of their suspension from the Olympic Games in Barcelona last summer after Sports Council tests which showed they had used the drug, Clenbuterol.

In the latest development in the controversy, the Inter-national Weightlifting Federation (TWF) is expected soon to instruct the British Ama-teur Weight Lifters' Associ-ation (BAWLA) to reverse its recent decision to lift the suspension imposed on Da-

vies and Saxton. Legal action by the two would therefore have to be not against the Olympic British Association — for denying them Olympic participation

and damaging their reputation · but against the IWF and the IOC. a different pro-

position. The case for Davies and Saxton, and for BAWLA in lifting the suspension, is largely dependent on Beckett's testimony. Prince Alexandre de Merode, chairman of the medical commission, and several of his professional colleagues (as well qualified as Beckett) say

this is erroneous. The justification by Davies and Saxton for using Clenbuterol, which they freely admit, was for alleged respiratory conditions.

Clenbuterol is bi-functional and comes under two headings in the medical commission's banned list: Category A, stimulants, and Category C. androgenic anabolic ste

The claim by Davies and

David Miller reports from Lausanne on

the latest developments in the saga of Britain's banned Olympic weightlifters

Saxton is that (a) stimulants were not included in the Sports Council's terms of reference for out-of-competition random testing, and (b) that Clenbuterol is not a named AAS.

Neither claim appears val-

id, according to the IOC. Nor, it says, is Beckett's assertion that the medical commission retrospectively declared Clenbuterol specifically to be included as an AAS rather than under the phrase "and related sub-stances", thereby allegedly catching Davies and Saxton in a regulation that had not existed at the time of the

The position of Clenbuterol as a stimulant is not whether it was used in or out of competition, but whether it is

'We acknowledge that the position needs to be more clear for those who have not made the rules'

one of the five stimulants

listed, under the category of

"Beta 2 agonists" as being

allowable as an aerosol treat-

Merode states that

Clenbuterol has been on the

banned list as an AAS-related

compound since 1976. It is

covered, he adds, by the catch-all phrase "related com-pounds", something which

was Beckett's specific

pharmacologically, being

anabolic though not andro-

genic or steroid, but not

chemically," Merode says. A

medical commission col-

league of Beckett's said yes-

excellent chemist, but not a

side with 12 of the first XV

due back next season." One

solution for Truro is to encour-

age other schools to visit them.

During half-term they set up a

competition with Solihuli and

mas, apart from seven-a-side

tournaments. The school has

provided 12 players for the

Cornwall under-18 squad and

four of them, Guy Shore, the

captain, Tim Moore, Andrew

Joint and Andrew Chilcott are

in the side to play Somerset

For Truro's first team, there

are local rivals in the sixth

form colleges at St Austell and

Penwith - who sent Ben

Beckerieg and Scott Perkins to

England under-18 trials last

Out of Cornwall, Truro's

successes this season have

included a first victory at

Plymouth College since 1975 and a 6-0 triumph to end a two-season unbeaten run for

Kelly College. We are not the typical Cornish side and can

run the ball well when the

conditions are right," said

Whitmore. "There is bags of

Rugby stops after Christ-

Bedford Modern.

next week.

Beckett is an

'Clenbuterol is included

recommendation.

pharmacologist."

ment for asthma. It is not.

evening, for a quorum of medically-qualified members to confirm Clenbuterol's ille-Beckett is wrong. Merode insists, to say that

Why did Beckett seek to challenge the medical com-

mission's confirmation of the

Sports Council's positive test? Beckett claims he was not

present when the medical

commission's decision in

Barcelona was made. Yet Merode explains: There was no decision, only an explana-

tion for the British Olympic

Association that Clenbuterol

had always been embraced

On the evening in ques-

Merode says he could wait

only so long, late in the

tion. Beckett was attending

an event as a medical com-

within the banned list."

mission member.

Clenbuterol was retrospectively add-ed to the list. "Whenever a

substance is added. I always confirm its inclusion at a spe-cial meeting with the IOC executive

board," Merode says. "We acknowledge that the position, clear to those who know, needs to be more clear for those who have not

made the rules." The IOC case is that Davies and Saxton knew, or should have been advised by their coach — and would have been advised had they consulted the Sports Council -that they were in a dubious

Like Katrin Krabbe, who won two world sprint titles for East Germany in Tokyo in 1991, they wrongly believed that the bi-functional qualities of Cleributerol made it allowable.

Perhaps they misinterpret-ed Clenbuterol's locker-room pseudonym of "doper's delight".

### opposition, combined with a be Penny Drops, whose trainer, Lord Huntingdon, is usualtwo-furlong shorter trip, puts ly a force to be reckoned with him in with a clear chance.

MANDARIN

2.40 Jolto.

larty well.

12.10 Nellie Dean. 1.40 DOUBLE ECHO (nap).

2.10 Caspian Beluga.

THUNDERER 12.10 Predictable. 1.10 Native Chieftan.

1.40 Double Echo. 2.10 Caspian Beluga.

3.10 VERY DICEY (nap).

2.40 Spender.

LINGFIELD PARK

RICHARD EVANS: 12.40 Pistol. 1.10 Native Chieftan.

GOING: STANDARD DRAW: 5F-1M, LOW TO MIDDLE NUMBERS BEST SIS

### 12.10 DANCING FLOOR CLAIMING STAKES (Div I: £2,364: 1m) (11 runners)

1991: VANROY 7-9-2 J Williams (9-4 lax) J Jankins 12 ran

FORM FOCUS

DREAM CARRIER has been disappointing since numing 4941 49 to 9 to Surrey Recing in a hardi-cap at Foliastone in August (71, good). ULLA-DULLA 4941 4th oil 14 to Augusta Star to a medien at Notington on penultimate start (81, good). PRE-DICTABLE 8941 6th oil 12 to Sareen goods: a since the control of the property of the property

best Name a dock in a 12-numer maiden at Catierick (71, good). ROCKY BAY best Tarsting 25d in a 16-numer salier at Wolvestampine in March (1m. heavy), with TSAR ALDSI salied of 1-00. UP THE PUNLIAB 191 9th of 11 to Tadora in a handicap over

### 12.40 THREE HOSTAGES MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-0: £2,343: 6f) (8 runners)

(7) 680300 CHRISTIAN SPRIT S3 (B Adams) R Hannon 9-0 R (6) 050 M A EL-SANN 5 (BP) (L Rezzal) R Hannon 9-0 C (5) 532545 PISTOL 61 (B,BP) (C Wates) P Cote 9-0 C (6) 00 RED ADMIRAL 27 (Lord Scarsdale) P Hastern 9-0 C (7) 05 RILIANO 19 (P Wates) S Woods 9-0 C (8) SOURCE YORK (J Poseth-Tuck) J Surannog 9-0 C (8) SOURCE YORK (J P Restandale) P Hastern 9-0 C (8) SOURCE YORK (J P Restandale) P Hastern 9-0 C (8) SOURCE YORK (J P Restandale) P Hastern 9-0 C (9) SOURCE YORK (J P Restandale) P Hastern 9-0 C (9) SOURCE YORK (J P Restandale) P Hastern 9-0 C (9) SOURCE YORK (J P Restandale) P Hastern 9-0 C (9) SOURCE YORK (J P Restandale) P Hastern 9-0 C (9) SOURCE YORK (J P Restandale) P Hastern 9-0 C (9) SOURCE YORK (J P Restandale) P Hastern 9-0 C (9) SOURCE YORK (J P Restandale) P Hastern 9-0 C (9) SOURCE YORK (J P RESTANDALE) P HASTERN 9-0 C (9) SOURCE Y P T SOURCE Y (8) SUMM: YUM () Transporture 2 and my 2 (7)
(2) 508000 TES-BMN 77 (R Carey) P Homing 9-0 (1)
(1) US4 WESTERN VALLEY 22 (R Seats) K Curpingham-Brown 8-9 (1) BETTING: 5-4 Pistol, 4-1 Western Valley, 5-1 M A B-Saltin, 11-2 Roano, 8-1 Christian Spirit, 16-1 others, 1991: BATTLE COLOURS 9-0 & Duffeld (8-11 lav) M. Prescott & ran

FORM FOCUS

CHRISTIAN SPERT 384 3rd of 5 to Troon in a 1 (6), good to soit) RUANO & Sh of 14 to Bichette maiden at Brighton (3' 50)vd. (Bros) M A EL-SAFN 8 Sh of 10 to Gur's Joy in a macten at Chester on perulthrate start (5), leavy). PSTDL 394 Sh of 19 to Araptove in a maiden over course and of Rich Midzs in a claiming marken at Goodwood Sefucious. PSTDL

1\_10 DANCING FLOOR CLAIMING STAKES

(Div II: £2,364: 170) (17 LURIERS)

1 (11) 210-040 NATIVE CHEETAN 33 (G) (B Nielsan) R Harmon 3-8-11 8 Rouse
2 (9) 21224S INDRS SULEST 22 (D.S) (Lord Catogon) G Princhard-Gordon 3-8-7 W Ryan
3 (2) 040050 LEPE'S A BREEZE 15 (M Citasson) M Chemson 3-8-7 G Castar
4 (6) 24-0 TINGURRE 217 (F Parry) P Hayward 3-8-4 G Castar
5 (5) 6000 DARCHOR SOAT 211 (B) R Jubicoon Hougeton 3-8-1 Nim NicCoonsel (7)
6 (9) 053556 FAYMAZ 19 (B.F.) (M Abnobasier) W Mitu 6-8-1 Kim NicCoonsel (7)
7 (10) 1 MUTIMES LASS 36 (Mrs P Demotrous) B McMath 3-8-1 D Biggs
6 (1) 05200 SURSET STREET 73 (F.S) (Under Orders Reading) S Dow 4-8-1 A Maximo
10 (8) 050406 (SLICK 16 (TW allace) R PRESCO 4-7-10 J Dunier
11 (7) 560-PRINCESS EUROLUKK 332J (Eurobrak Group Pic) G Enright 4-7-10 A Garth (5)
8ETTINE: 6-4 Native Chiefan, 3-1 Kings Garet, 5-1 Sunset Street, 6-1 Fayrez, 16-1 Riborra, 20-1 adure,

FORM FOCUS

MATIVE CHIEFTAN 2941 4th of 13 to Talconical in a bandwar on percentinate start (7), people to the market of the m

1\_40 THIRTY NINE STEPS HANDICAP (£2,709: 1m 2f) (6 runners) 

FORM FOCUS

VINTAGE 8. 48 of 9 to Glideriale in a bandcap over coase and dishaton, SCALES OF JUSTICS has been disappointed since besting Gape Pygeon 3 in a 22-camer claims a Checotor is October (im, good), DOUBLE ECHO best American Power that in a 14-mateur bondican, over course and

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4) in a 7-runner apprentices' handicap at Redear on penglitesate start (im 21, good to firm). PERMY DROPS 44) 2ed of 21 to Highland Magic to a handicap at Demaster (71, good). KHRISMA 1/3 3rd of 1/2 to Lookinghagainhow in a handicap over course and distance.

### **GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD**

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD.BF.F.G.S) (Mrs.D. Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 ...... B West (4) 88 Racecard number Draw in braciess. So-figure form  $\mathcal{G}$ — left. P— pulled up. U— ussassed rider. B— brought down. S— slapped up. R—relused. D— disqualified). Horse's rente. Days siace test coding: J is jumps, F in Sat. R— blinkers. V—visc. H—hou. E—Equation G—course winner. D—distance winner. CD—

course and distance winter. BF - beaten course and destance weren. Sr—extens laroutfia in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F—firm, good to firm, hard. G—good. S—sut. good to soft, heavy). Device in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plos any allowance. The Titraes Private Handicapper's rating.

2.10 GREENMANTLE HANDICAP (\$2,343: 1m 5f) (9 runners)

Long bandican: Dr Zava 7-4

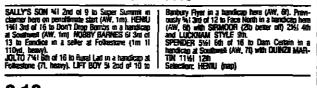
BETTENG: 13-8 American Express, 5-1 Magasteer, 6-1 Caspian Belarga, 7-1 Dr Zavo, Pleasure Ahead, 12-1 obbers. 1991: SCOTONI 5-9-7 D Biggs (11-4 tav) R O'Sullivan 15 ran FORM FOCUS

CASPIAN BELUGA 2½1 2nd of 10 to The Karaote (Nog In a handicap here (Im 40, MAGADEER 4½1) and of 10 to Bushing in a maximum Newcastle (Im, Hoavy). AlbAZON EXPRESS completed a doubte when beating Addicted To Love 2½1 or a 18-numer handicap at Yamroolis (Im 3) 101yd, good), with

2.40 RICHARD HANNAY HANDICAP (£2,301: 7f) (9 runners)

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1991: KISSAYOS 5-8-4 F Nomon (11-2) C C Elsey 16 ran FORM FOCUS



3.10 FLEURETS HANDICAP (£2,499: 50) (10 runners) 1991: SER TASKER 3-8-5 T Quant (12-1) J Hamis 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

VERY DICEY 1341 3rd of 11 to Crecte in a claimer at Northington in April (St. good).

at Southwell (AW, 59), with GOLDEN SICKLE (2th before off) 4841 7th and SR TASKER 11th PALEY PRINCE 31 3rd of 15 to Branston Abby in a claimer at Protestact (91, good to Sirm), with SR TASKER 1910 WHITE (101) before off) 291 12th.

SUMMER EXPRESS 541 8th of 15 to Fango in a Calcifor. VERY DICEY

COURSE SPECIALISTS Rrus % 10 500 117 231 13 221 227 93 194 557 **JOCKEYS** TRAINERS Rides 105 216 84 28 80 109 Emma O'Gorman 7 Outlin A Marko 7 G Michaughlin

### Maguire attracts support

ADRIAN Maguire continued his fine run when landing a 72-1 double, on Menebuck and West Ender, at Huntingdon yesterday. Maguire, who rode a treble

at Fontwell on Monday, has now ridden 46 winners this season and William Hill reacted by again cutting his odds for the jockey's championship. Hills, who quoted him 33-1 on Monday, cut his odds from

14-1 to 10-1. They bet: 4-7 Richard Dunwoody, 9-4 Peter Scudamore and 8-1 Peter Niven.

☐ Mackeson Gold Cup win-

ner Tipping Tim has top weight of 12st for the A F Budge Gold Cup at Chelten-ham on December 12. The 18 entries include Another Coral, Beech Road and General Idea, the Mackeson second, third and fourth.

### VESTERNAS. TESTLIS I

but if there is no more rain I

Huntingdon

would be hopeful."

Going: soft (newy petches)
12.15 (2m 110yd holle) 1, Lady Ghislaine (J. Ryen, 6-1); 2, Alossili (5-4 lan); 3, Otter Bush (4-1), 7 ran. NR: Windsor Highness, 3, 3, A Reid. Tote: 05.50; E.190, E.170, DF: E.20. CSF: E13.32. Auction details: Winner sold to Mr D Magner for 2.500gns.
12.45 (2m 4f 110yd cn); Wast Ender (A Maguirs, 8-11 lav, Private Handicappers top rating); 2, Homme D'Affairs (3-1); 3, Socks Downe (25-1), 5 ran. 81, dist. J. Jefferson. Total: E1.90; £1.40, £1.10. DF: C1.90 CSF: £3.59. Water jump ornitted.

E1.90 CSF: 23.00, veggs jump ommed. 1.15 (2m 110yd Indie) 1, Peaceman (E Murphy, 5-4 lav); 2, Strong John (10-1); 3, Merkegin (9-2), 11 ran, Nr. Gendouge Gien, Catte Regrets, Irish Li. 61, 294, Mrs D Heine. Tobe £3.00; £1.60, £2.10, £1.70, DF: £6.30. CSF: £16.60. Tota £3.00; £1.60, £2.10, £1.70, UP: £5.50, CSP: £16.60, 1.45 (3m ch) 1, Jimstro (A Maguira, 4-1); 2. Sound Ol Jimstro (5-4 fav), 3, The Lighter Side (16-1), 11 ran, NR. Menebuck, Dundroma, 71, 12, J. Pearce, Tota: £4.40; £1.90, £2.00, £7.00, DF: £4.20, CSP: £10.24, 2.15 (2m 110yd ch) 1, Dollikos (G McCourt, 4-1); 2, Spinit Of Könrs (Evens fav); 3, Armeia (8-1), 6 ran, 10, 201, Jajefarson, 10te: £3.50; £2.10, £1.40, DF: £2.60, CSF, £8.68, 2.45 (2m 110yd che) 1, Sen Lorenzo (S McNell, 7-2 (1-fav); 2, Eastern Magic (4-1); 3, Pierce (7-2 (1-fav)), 9 ran, NR: Baracora, rix, 11, K Bailey, Tota: £4.10, £2.10, £1.10, £2.40, DF: £7.40, CSF £16.04 Tricast £44.11, Alter a stewards' emply, result stood, 3,15 (2m 110yd flat) 1, Tax The Devil (A Dickan, 8-1); 2, Trader Tye (5-1); 3, Gordon Pashe (1-4-1), Allego Con Bno 7-2 fav, 14 can, 3, 6t, S Dow, Tota: £10.60; £3.20, £2.20, £5.40, DF £42.90, CSF; £40.10, Placepot; £2.80.

Catterick Bridge ling time runs into a couple of Going: soft with heavy patches 12.50 (2m hdle) 1, Fm Fine (Mrs A Ferrell, 9-4 toy); 2, Wayward Edward (5-1); 3, Allan Sher (3-1), 8 ran. 3, 3, 7 Beaumont. Tota. £2.00; £1.00, £1.50, £2.50. DF. £4.50. CSF-

2200; F1:00, F1:50, C2:50. DF. EA:50. CSS-\$12:93.

1.20 (2m hole) 1, Liability Order (P Niven, 10-11 tay); 2. Sevest Noble (5-1), 3, Eriny (9-2), 12 ran, NR: Ninda Groovy, Rolling The Bones, Stoproverteate, 4, 2%I. M Hammond, Tote: 12:20; E1:00, E2:50, E5:10, DF. 64:20. CSF: 59.48.

1.50 (2m. cb) 1, Philis Pricte (P Niven, 9-4); 2. Vayrus (2-1 tay); 3, Killute King (3-1), 8 ran, NR. Awkas, Invertiel, 71, Cist. Jummy Rizgerald, Toter 12:50; \$1:40, E1:50, E1:50. DF: £4:10. CSF: 28:51.

220 (2m. 11. 11); 2. Serphil (11-2); 3, Eastern Pleasure (4-1 tay), 12 ran, NR: Nowhistle, 241, 151 & Rechmond, Totat: C1:50: \$1:70, E1:50.

E1:00, \$1:90. DF: \$27:90. CSF: £65:72. Tricast: \$257.98. Wirner solid to A Swinbertk for 3,800 gns.

Tricast: 227.68. Wirmer sold to A Swinbank for 3,800gns. 2.50 (2m 1f 110yd ch) 1, Bow Handy Man (P Waggott, 13-2), 2, Chootaw (9-2); 3, Master Moody (7-2 km), 10 mn 8, nic Dennys Smith, Toac EB.20, E2.80, E2.30, E1.10, DF-E12.90, CSF: E34.23, Tricast: £109.50. 2.20 (2m fulle) 1, Whitewebb (A Dobbin, 12-1); 2, Strong Views (5-4); 3, Persuasive (Evens lay), 5 ran, NR: Tapatich, Nk, 101 B Murray, Tota: £13.20; £3.20, £1.10. DF. £5.80. CSF: £26.21.

Placepot: £7.90. Southwell Going: standard

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### **SCHOOLS SPORT** Truro looking east to

widen their horizons By Christopher Dighton

TRURO, the most westerly of the English independent schools, are to spread their wings. Under the direction of Graham Whitmore, the master-in-charge of rugby, all their sides are to go in search of more testing fixtures.

"Our isolated position means that if we go out of the county we are often on an overnight stay," Whitmore said. "For this year's trip to Tiverton for our game against Blundell's, we were on the road for four hours - it was a particularly bad journey that day. Even for local trips, to Plymouth and Exeter, travel-

"But to improve it is necessary for us to travel farther and farther and we don't mind because it will benefit the school. We will learn to handle pressure better." Truro were recently knocked out of a cup competition by Kingsbridge, after controlling the game for long periods. They lost 5-0 when Kingsbridge scored a try

two minutes from the end. "If we played more games against that sort of opposition we would do better,"
Whitmore said. "We have the talent here and it is a young

SPORT FOR THE DISABLED

### Brunt hoping to strike blow for Paralympians

STEVE Brunt, the Paralympic champion, will lead the three-man British team in the world blind marathon championships in Miyazaki, Japan, on Sunday, but believes he has a good chance of beating the sighted runners as well as taking the blind title.

Last year, the sighted section of the Pacific Coast

marathon - which will incorporate Brunt's race - was won in 2hr 40min, five minutes slower than Brunt's best time, set while winning at the Paralympic Games in Seoul in 1988. "I would love to win it outright," he said. "I think any Paralympic medallist would love to win an able-bodied race."

But the fact that Brunt is nunning at all is a miracle. In 1990, he was hit by a car potential, plenty of enthusiastic coaching and the future looks very rosy."

BY ALIX RAMSAY

while training and spent six months in a wheelchair. When he resumed training, in January 1991, he had only 15 months to prepare for Barcelona. By clocking up 120 miles a week, Brunt regained full fitness and was on target to break 2 for 20 miles. on target to break 2hr 30min, but the conditions restricted him to a winning time of 2hr 45min 10sec.

At the age of 32, Brunt has the option of going to Atlanta in 1996 and trying for a third gold medal, but he refuses to look that far ahead. "After Secul, I started looking forward to Barcelona and then I had my accident," he said. "Now I don't want to tempt. fate. I'm not looking any further ahead than next September and the European

### SWIMMING

### **Comeback** test for Hardcastle

By CRAIG LORD

SARAH Hardcastle, Britain's most successful woman competitor of the past three decades, will compete at the national short-course championships next week for the first

time in six years. Hardcastle, 23, will race in the 200, 400 and 800 metres freestyle, the latter two events being those in which she won Olympic medals at Los Angeles in 1984. She retired in 1986, after what she regarded as a disappointing world championships which came two weeks after she won two Commonwealth titles, the 800 metres in a time less than two tenths of a second outside the

then world record. Only three weeks after returning to training in September, Hardcastle clocked times at the Essex county championships that placed her among the top 20 in Britain at 200.

400 and 800 metres.
At the Optrex championships at Sheffield, Hardcastle
will be able to test herself against Karen Pickering, the winner of a record five free-style titles, from 50 to 800

metres a year ago. "I'm looking forward to it, even though I'm really ner-vous," Hardcastle said. "I've been to one competition in six years, so this will be a big thing for me."

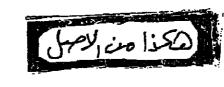


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The way of champions: Aamodt shows off the skills he will be testing over three days' competition in Val d'Isère this weekend

Derby swept out of Coca-Cola Cup in Highbury gale

# Wright finds higher gear to steer Arsenal through

By LOUISE TAYLOR

ARSENAL booked themselves an excursion to Scarborough in the fourth round of the Coca-Cola Cup, courtesy of a 2-1 win against Derby County in a third-round re-play at Highbury on Tuesday

night.
Goals from Ian Wright and
Kevin Campbell in the first 15
minutes left their first division opponents with an impossible task at a windswept Highbury and a 44th-minute penalty. which was converted by Mark Pembridge, proved their sole

Beforehand, George Graham, the Arsenal manager, had been critical of his forwards' work-rate. He was thus particularly pleased to see Wright score his eleventh goal of the season, and his first in four games. The England forward said: "The manager was right to have a go at me. I

### Italian court permits trial over injuries

Rome: The High Court in Italy has ruled that football players can bring criminal prosecutions against opponents who cause injury by dangerous play. The ruling was made on Tuesday in a case brought by an amateur player who suffered a broken leg when he was fouled in a match in April 1985.

A local court initially found the player who committed the foul guilty of involuntary wounding but the sentence overturned on appeal. (Reuter)

☐ Vinnie Jones was yesterday granted another seven days by the Football Association to decide on an appeal against his fine of £20,000 for his part in the video, Soccer's Hard

standard I set myself." If Cambridge United tomorrow chose Gary Johnson as their manager in preference to Ian Atkins, the

Birmingham City assistant manager, and George Burley. the Ayr United manager, he will have much to thank Gary Rowett for.

A headed goal from Rowett,
18. gave Cambridge a 1-0
fourth-round win against
Oldham Athletic, of the Pre-

mier League, and a place in the quarter-finals of the competition for the first time. It could also have secured Johnson's promotion from caretaker manager to the real thing. Crystal Palace restored

some of the pride forfeited in last Saturday's 5-0 defeat at Liverpool by earning a 1-1 draw on Merseyside. Crystal Palace, with just one win from another job." 17 League games and the

about to depart for Sunderland, took the lead through a goal from Chris Coleman 11 minutes into the second half.

Despite having two young-sters. George Ndah and Rob Bowry, making their first full appearances, Crystal Palace looked to have sprung a suprise until Mike Marsh converted a penalty to equalise in the 77th minute. Crystal Palace's commit-

ment was never in doubt and the uncompromising nature of their tackles upset Graeme Sources, the Liverpool manchallenge in his own playing days, it seemed a case of the pot calling the kettle black to hear Souness say: "The game of football is different to what I saw against Palace. If that's what it's about, I'll look for

All Coppell, keen to avoid which I have not seen during

do not think we were that dirty. What would Graeme have us do? Go back to Anfield, not compete and not Souness was especially upset

by an incident which resulted in David Burrows, the Liverpool defender, being carried off after a collison with Gareth Southgate. Burrows spent the night in hospital and is expected to be out for top to 12 weeks, after sustaining liga-ment and cartilage damage to his left knee.

The Liverpool manager felt that Brian Hill, the referee, had been overly lenient about the challenge and about other viously I have to be very careful what I say about the referee very careful. What I will say is He let a lot of things go on subject of rumours that Steve questions about his future, my time back in England."

# Spartak plea for fine at worst

Moscow: The Russian fotball ed, they would be following hoped Uefa. the Eurpean governing body, would fine Spartak Moscow for allegedly fielding an ineligible player in the Cup Winners' Cup rather than expel the club from the competition.

Uefa is investigating wheth-er Spartak's Mikhail Rusayev was under contract to a German club when he played in the side that beat Liverpool in the second round of the cup last month.

The Russian federation president, Nikita Simonyan, sent a telex to Uefa on Tuesday replying to its questions. "We hope the Uefa decision will be iavourable and the matter will be limited to Spartak paying a fine," he said.

"We do not think Spartak should be expelled after it beat Liverpool and other teams." If Liverpool were to be reinstat-

federation said yesterday it Leeds United, the league champions, who were awarded a first-round rematch against VfB Stuttgart after the German side included four foreign players in its squad for the second leg instead of the maximum three.

Rusayev also played for Spartak when they beat Avenir Beggen, of Luxembourg, in the first round of the Cup Winners' Cup.

He rejoined Spartak in June from Oldenburg, in the sec-ond division, but German officials suggested the former Soviet international had bro-

ken key transfer rules. ...
A German federation spokesman said Rusayev, 28, had left Oldenburg without completing any formalities. Simonyan, however, said the midfield player had not been playing as a professional.
"We told Uefa that Rusayev

was in Germany under the status of an amateur footballer and his transfer to the Bundesliga was on an amateur basis," he insisted. ☐ Beigrade: The Yugoslav prime minister, Milan Panic, has made another plea to Fifa. the world governing body, not to ban Yugoslavia from the World Cup qualifying tourna-ment. Panic has written to Fifa

ahead of tomorrow's executive

committee meeting asking

them to overturn an earlier

decision to expel Yugoslavia. Fifa expelled Yugoslavia from the qualifying competi-tion for the 1994 World Cup on October 1, after twice extending the deadline, in line with United Nations sanctions against Belgrade for its role in the Bosnian civil war.

The decision is expected to be formally ratified by Fifa's executive committee in Zurich tomorrow. (Reuter)

# Olympic aspirations not on the immediate skyline

THERE has never been a Norwegian winner of the men's overall Alpine World than now to start? Ask the least half will land bearing the belongs to Alberto Tomba.

When Tomba, the World Cup statom and giant statom hampion, was asked for a pre-season tip, he maned Aamodt Two days later Aamodt won the opening

Twenty-one is young for the as upset the odds below had to be drip fed. sh

Hendry is

aiming

to prevent

burn-out

By Phil Yates

THE participation of Ste-phen Hendry, the defend-

ing champion, in the 1993

Matchroom European

snooker league was

thrown into doubt yester-

day, despite a press release from Matchroom stating

that Hendry would be one

of the eight players

Ian Doyle, Hendry's

manager, said: "Stephen

does not want to play

because he wants to con-

centrate on his (WPBSA

ised to talk to Stephen

again, but I don't think

there will be a change of

Hendry, 23, has made a

miserable start to the sea-

the opening six events. It

seems that with a hectic

post-Christmas schedule

he is anxious to avoid

burn-out and jeopardise

his chance of retaining the

Benson and Hedges Mas-

ters title in February and

the world championship in

Even so, his league

commitments do not

appear arduous. Of his

seven matches, two occur

in early January, after

nearly a month's break

from the circuit.

Kjetil-Andre Aamodt in is the latest hope for a Norwegian winner of the skiing World Cup. David Powell tracks him down in Val d'Isère

the worst experience of my life," he said. "I could do nothing. My goal was to eat." into a season fit and well. No broken legs, no twisted an-ides, no broken collarbone; ills

After this weekend in Val distre, we shall know more of his prospects for beating Mare Grandelli the four-time and Paul Accola, the holder. A and slalom begins tomorrow and Aamodt's intention is to ski them all.

ber and suddenly I felt very

old," Duncan said. He man-

aged only ten days training

before arriving here, then

missed two more when his

back locked after a long car

journey. "I am not really in it

at the moment. I am just

trying to get some downhill miles under my feet," he

added. He hopes to ski into

the money over the second

Sponsorship of the British team would be an alternative

way to keep Duncan in the

World Cup but, in the present

economic climate, that seems

unlikely. The recession has

British Ski Federation (BSF)

sponsorship, a financial plight worsened by the Sports Coun-cil's reduction of its grant by

The end of Drambuie's five

year sponsorship, worth £100,000 a season, has left the

BSF without a main sponsor.

The coaching staff has had to

be cut and Duncan is having

to pay — through private sponsorship and help from his

parents — for the employment

of a personal ski serviceman

and coach, which costs

£15,000 for the season. He

has had to give up his London

flat and is living out of a

The super-giant slalom is his strength, the downhill his cason. I did not ski well in the slalom but I have changed my technique and improved." Aamodt said. The evidence was in his fast first run in

downhill in the future, but I do not have any ambitions this year," he said. Just how far he is behind Girardelli, a

Now that skiers can get rich on prize-money alone — Val d'Isère has SwFr130,000 (some £58,000) to give away — Asmodt is reaching his peak at an opportune time. "We deserve it," be said, though he was surprised on opening his to find \$30,000 (£19.000): "I did not know it was so much."

No amount of success, or Norway's No. 1 sportsman. said. But cross country did not appeal to him. "I like to ski down, not walk up." he said. For a moment, he made Alpine racing sound easy.

SKIING

# **Duncan trapped** on slippery slope

FROM DAVID POWELL IN VAL D'ISÈRE

RONALD Duncan, Britain's No. 1 downhiller, is planning to retire at the end of the season unless his results on the World Cup circuit improve. Injured, unfit, skiing hadly and out of pocket. Duncan was a despondent figure here yesterday as he finished nearly five seconds off the pace in practice for the first downhill of the winter on Samutay.

While the leading racers can pick up £20,000 Hor a win, Duncan expects his season to cost him £10,000. "I am gening married on December 22 and that has clarified my thinking," he said. "It's win or stop time. I have been poking around within range for a few years and I would love to keep going. But it not worth it when you will paying that

Duncan's personal sponsors pay bonuses ter top-15 World once qualified, when he was thirteenth in Are, Sweden, three years ago. His best position last season was 21st. While he approached last season with optimism, he begins this one still suffering from a long-standing back

injury.

"Because of my back, I could not get out of bed on my thirtieth birthday in Septem-

League to revert to two tiers

The 35 rugby league club chairmen gave their tacit approval last night to a package of reforms including the abandonment of three divisions in favour of two from next season and the expansion of the first division from 14 to 16 sides.

The county cups seem likely to be retained, but may be played before the start of the season in September.

Cardiff at home

Rugby union: Cardiff have been drawn at home to Maesteg in the second round of the Welsh Cup on December 19. The winners will play Narbeith or St Peters. of the Wales squad, will miss the rest of the season after an operation on medial ligaments in his right leg.

Six of the best

Golf: The Scotland team of Gary Orr. Kenny Walker and Kevin Stables won the European team championship, beating Austria by six strokes.

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Sainz signs

Motor rallying: Carlos Sainz, the world champion, has signed for Lancia after failing to sort out a sponsorship problem with Toyota.

**BOXING** 

## Armour needs courage and luck

FORTUNE certainly favours brave Johnny Armour. The courage and determination of the Chatham bantanweight was rewarded with a stroke of luck that won him the Commonwealth title last October (Srikumar Sen wites). He will need all his courage and luck when he defends against Albert Musankabala, of Zambia, tonight at the Lewisham Theatre, London.

If Armour had not caught Ndaba Dube with a cracking right hook in the last 11 seconds, he would not have won the Commonwealth title. It was doubly fortunate for Armour that the referee called a halt while Dube was still on his feet. Had Dube decided to take a rest on his knees for a count of eight, he would have been able to finish the contest without further mishap and won. At the time Armour was trailing by five rounds.

Musankabala, 30, won a bronze medal in the Com-

and has had 23 professional contests to Armour's nine. Of his 19 wins, 16 have finished inside the distance.

Luckily for Armour, the Zambian's chin does not seem solid. His three defeats have been inside the distance. He faded when stopped by Daniel Ward, of South Africa, and, under Armour's relentless pressure, he could fold again. Armour, however, is the easiest man in the world to hit.

**GOLF** 

### US cracks down on slow players

THE United States PGA Tour policy board has adopted tougher, more stringent guidelines involving slow play on profesional tour events.

"The players said, 'Make it Beman, the tour commisioner. said yesterday after a meeting of the tour's policy-making

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body. He said the new guidelines are subject to ratification by the policy board early next

The guidelines reduce from 45 to 40 seconds the time a player is allowed over a shot. Under the new rules, a player would be warned after he was deemed to be out of position. and had taken more than 40

seconds over a shot. On the second violation during a round, he would be penalised one stroke and fixed. \$1,000 (about £660). With the third violation, he would be fined another \$1,000 and penalised a second stroke. The fourth violation calls for

disqualification.
Under present rules, a player is subject to a \$500 fine on the second violation, \$500 more on the third and another \$500, plus a two-stroke penal-

Beman said the new rules should increase the pace of 'play on professional tour Late regula on Tuesday events by "10 to 20 minutes a round". (Agencies)

FOOTBELL NEVILLE OVENDIEN COMBINATION: First division: Pulbern 0, Queens Park

Rangers 1.
WORLD CUP: European qualitying group six larget 9, Bulgaris 2 (in Tel AM).
SCHOOLS: MATCHES: Westminster 2, Charterhouse 3, Surney Cop: Semi-drast Charterhouse 5, Richmond Col 4, Stropshire Cup: Sami-linet, Stressbury CAT 1, Stressbury School 1 (set, Stressbury School 1 (set, Stressbury School Mr 43 on penalties), Palmer Cup: Custrar-linet; Alleyn's 1, Sedgehill 3, The following matches were postpored:
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AUTOGLASS TROPHY: First round; Stoke City v Crawa Alexandra; West Bromeich Abicon V Watersi.
DIABORA LEAGUE: Premier division:
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BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division:
Carboidge Cay Welymouth.
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Colven Bay v Mossley; Howich v Accington Starley. First division: Knowsley v
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REVILLE: CUYENDEN COMBINATION:
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Crisiese: Totsenham v Bouthsmyton. Second division: Enter v Cardill; Plymouth v
Bristol Roviers; Swinsea v Torquey.
PONTING CENTRAL LEAGUE: First divisience Lander v Leidebaus; Rothenham v ston: Lands v Leicester. Rothertern v Wolverlampton. Second division: Derby v Port Vale; Sconthorpe v Coventry. York v Burnley.

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Promier division KONICA LEAGUE CUP: Proliminary round: Conflorer v Abergaverny; Mold v bridge United 1, Oldham 6; Liverpool 1, Crystal Palace 1.
AUFOGLASS TROPHY: First round: Colcuster 1, Northampton 2; Doncaster 2, York 1; Halfatz 0, Bradford 4; Leyton Orient 4, Gillingham 1; Lincoln 0, Rotherham 1; Presion 1, Blackpool 1; Reading 1, Brighton 1; Floridate 0, Bolton 0; Shrewsbury 1, Cardiff 3.

Hendry: doubtful

GM VALUCIALL CONFERENCE Northwith 0, Bromsgrove 1; Telland 0, Stalybridge 2, Wolving 1, Degenham and Reclaridge 1. recondge 1.
SCOTTISH LEAGUE: Premier division:
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Partick 1; Hibernian 2, Motherwell 2. First
division: Cydebant 3, Rath (P. Dumbarton
0, Meadowbarth 1; Kilmernock 1, Hernition
0; String 0, Ayr 0.
BUDWESSER CUP: Semi-linet: Ards 2,
Portadown 4.

HPS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier division: Geinsborough (), Frichley 1. NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: West Harm 2, Brighton (). VAUXHALL FA TROPHY: Third qualifyin round: Chesham 7, Leicesser United 3.

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CYCLING ZURICH: Str-day race: Leaders efter two days (Sutzerland unless stated): 1, A Belli and P Bincoletic (tt), 127 pts; 2, U Feuter and P Please (Fold), 107; 3, B Reis and K Betschaft, 101; 4, K Khrabtsov (Russ) and M Gennyte (Russ), at 1 lap, 114. British placing: 10, S Wingrave (GB) and M Ville (tt), at 6, 26.

RUGBY LEAGUE STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP:

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ICE HOCKEY **RUGBY UNION** 

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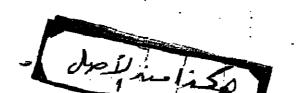
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FOOTBALL

PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE First division: Liverpool v Manchester City (7.0); Manchester Linked v Sheffeld Wed: Asion Villa v Newcastle (7.0). Second division: I v Blackpool (7.0).

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8.05 Kilroy Robort Kilroy-Silk chairs a studio discussion on a topical subject (2216512) 9.45 Roes King Garne show. The guest is singer Barbara Dickson (s) (8208406)

10.00 News, regional news and weather (3030512) 10.05 Playdays. For the very young (r) (s) (9646845)

18.30 Good Morning ... with Anne and Nick. Weekday magazine (s) (48199680) 12.15 Pebble Mill. Judi Spiers is joined by Rolf Harns (s) (8914864) 12.55

Regional News and weather (65048222)

1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip Hayton. (Ceefax) Weather (17870) 1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (21489680) 1.50 Going for Gold. The garrulous Henry Kelly introduces another round of the general knowledge quiz with European contestants (s) (21490796) 2.16 Plant The Moon and Shipence (1942, b/w). George Sanders stars

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as W. Somerset Maugham's middle-aged Londoner who decides to leave his wife, terminy and job to fulfil a lifelong dream of being a painter in. Paris. A solid adaptation, directed by Albert Lewin

3.40 Cartoon, Yankee Doodit (6281593) 3.50 Puppydog Tales (6461311) 3.55 Noddy (s) (6286048) 4.05 Star Pets (s) (7549241) 4.15 Get Your Own Back Game show (s) (2414116) 4.30 Kevin a Co. Episode four of the six-part comedy drama. (Ceefax) (s) 4.85 Rewaround (3651999) 5.05 Blue Peter, includes the latest news of the Blue Peter! Care Appeal. (Ceefax) (s) (2602113)

5.45 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (260593). Northern Ireland: Inside

£00 Stx O'Clock News with Anna Ford and Andrew Harvey. (Ceefax) Weather (38)

8.39 Regional News Magazines (90). Northern Ireland: Neighbours

8.30 Regional News atagazines (90). Normeth ireland: Neighbours 7.00 Top of the Pops (3) (6203)
7.30 EastEnders. (Ceefax) (s) (74)
8.00 Living Dengerousty: Kites — Kings of Hong Kong.

9 CHOICE: An unusual variation on the wildlife-in-danger theme focuses on the black kites and one their favourite roosts, Stoneoutter's Island in Hong Kong harbour. It is a forest area and focuses on the black lotes and one their favourite roosts, stonecutter's Island in Hong Kong harbour. It is a forest area and ideal for nesting but there is a snag. The Island will soon be an island no longer when the gap between it and the Kowloon maintand is filled in. The kite population faces other hazards. A sewage works is being built where they used to fish and the bay is in any case hazardy nothing. sewage works is being built where they used to fish and the bay is in any case heavily polluted. Namated by the cameraman Barry Paine, the film is also a meditation on Hong Kong itself as it faces 1997. Paine is an entitusiastic guide but rarely have so many superfatives been crammed into a short space. Thus Hong Kong is the world's most futuristic city with the world's busiest harbour and the kites are the world's magnificent birds of prey. (Ceefad) (s) (5951) sets Stiting Pretty. John Sullivan's brassy comedy starring Diane Built as the newly withwest Annie who is forced in give in her limiting is as the newly widowed Annie, who is forced to give up her luxurious lifestyle and move in with Tiffany (Alison Lomas), her medical student daughter. (Ceefax) (s) (4086)

2.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax) Regional news

and weather (8777)

 9.30 Smith and Jones. Last in the series of cornedy sketches sterring Mel Smith and Griff Phys Jones. (Ceefed) (s) (23861)
 10.00 One Foot in the Grave. Richard Wilson and Annette Crosbie star in David Renwick's award-winning oldie comedy. Victor is not looking forward to a weekend staying with friends who run-a seaside boarding house. True to form, it proves anything but restful (r). (Ceelax) (92203)



A hot seat on the south coast? MP David Melior (10.30pm)

10.30 Question Time introduced by Peter Sissons in Southampton. With MPs David Mellor and Peter Mandelson, Anthony Sampson and irene Candy, a former mayoress of Southampton (12425)

11.30 The Magic of Musicals. The final part of the concert recorded at the Bristol Hippodrome. Marti Webb and Mark Rattray sing numbers

from popular musicals (s) (75319)
12.30em Weather (5796452) Ends at 12.35
2.15 BBC Select: Executive Business Club (53891). Ends at 2.45

BBC2

8.00 Breakfast News (5569048) 8.15 Westminster (5658135) 9.00 Six Scottish Burghs. Professor Andy MacMillan admires the architecture of Dumines, the "Queen of the South" (48280) 9.30 Film: Busman's Honeymoon (1940, b/w). Lighthearted thriller staming Robert Morrigomery as Dorothy L. Sayers's amateur sleuth Lord Peter Winnsey. His honeymoon with Harnet Vaine (Constance Cummings) is cut short by the discovery of a dead body in their balliday harms. Addist B. Woode discovery (67446125) holiday home. Arthur B. Woods directs (57446135) 11.05 Film: The Fugitive (1947, b/w).

 CHOICE: John Ford, as the BBC1 Omnibus profile is making clear, liked to scorn any pretension to art while his films constantly contradicted him. Occasionally, as in *The Fugitive*, he was not only an arist but self-consciously so. Loosely adapted from Graham Greene's novel, *The Power and the Glory*, this is a film in which "style" proclaims itself on almost every frame. You see it in the autravariant usual nations with the chiffied compositions and extravagant visual pattern, with its studied compositions and dramatic shadows, the overt religious symbolism and the surging music. The film is a strange cross between Hollywood schmatiz and German expressionism and tends to be disliked by Ford admirers who prefer him in more self-effacing mood. But it is worth catching as a striking oddity and for Henry Fonda's moving performance as

as a surang county and the first (50207680)

12.40 Holiday Outlings. Earmonn Holmes takes a holiday at Haggerston Castle Caravan Park in Northumberland (r) (11850864)

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12.50 Armed Police. Stave Taylor meets the police who have to deal with the increasing number of arms-carrying criminals (r) (1088749)

1.20 Pigeon Street. For the very young (r) (40687408)

1.35 Stx Scottish Burghs. A portrait of Eigin (37757628)

2.00 News and weather (89524609) 2.05 Milchael Barry's Choice Curts. Vegetarian recipes (19874574) 2.15 Advice Shop. For consumers of welfare and public services (3570226)

3.00 News and weather (7025406) followed by Westminster Live (9475661) 3.50 News, regional news and weather (6285319) 4.00 Catchword. Game for wordsmiths, hosted by Paul Coia (s) (13) 4.30 Behind the Headlines. Political discussion (15)
5.00 Plunder. Film director Michael Winner delves into the BBC's archives (r) (4609) 5.30 Food and Drink (r). (Ceefax) (s) (67)
6.00 Film: Timberjack (1955) staming Sterling Hayden, Hoagy Carmichael and Vera Raiston. Ponderous action drama set in Montana's forests. Directed by Joe Kane (63425), Wales: Inside English 6.15 Italianissimo 6.30 Mosaic 7.00 Advice Shop
7.30 First Sight: Kicked Out of School. A report on the exclusion of children from school, which has reached epidemic proportions in parts of London and the south-east (16). Northern Ireland: The

parts of London and the south-east (16). Northern Ireland: The European Chellenge; Wales: Ded's Army; East: Matter of Fact; Midlands: Midlands Report; North, North-east and North-west: Close Up North; South: Southern Eye; South-west: Close Up; West: Close Up West. Followed by Advent Calendar. The third of 24 memorable moments from past Christmases gleaned from the RBC's archives.

BBC's archives 8.00 The Essential History of Europe. The fourth of 12 films on the countries of the EC focuses on the Republic of Ireland (3593)
8.30 Top Gear. Includes a visit to the Motorcycle Show at the NEC,
Birmingham; and a test drive of the new Renault Safrane (r) (2628)



Back to school: Joanna Lumley and Dawn French (9.00pm)

 9.00 Absolutely Fabulous. Frenetic and funny comedy series starring Dawn French and Joanna Lumley. (Ceefax) (s) (6319)
 9.30 Horizon Special: The Truth About Sex. The first set of results from the National Sex Survey, the largest study of sexual behaviour

in Britain (s) (501512)

10.20 10 x 10: Paradise Fish Bar. The tragi-comedy story of a girl coming to terms with adult sexuality (r) (461203)

10.30 Newsnight with Sue Cameron (790864)

11.15 The Late Show. Arts and media magazine (s) (400999)

11.55 Later with Jools Holland. The guests include Mexi Priest, Apache

Indian and the New York band Sonic Youth (s) (917999)

12.30am Behind the Headlines. Shown at 4.30pm (58278)

1.00 Weather (9942988). Ends at 1.10 3.00 BBC Select: RCN Nursing Update (15094). Ends at 4.00 !TV LONDON

6.00 TV-am (5997999) 9.25 Keynotes. Music game show hosted by Alistair Divall (6173406) 9.55 Thames News (9655593) 10.00 The Time...The Place... Topical discussion programme

10.35 This Morning. Magazine series presented by Judy Finnigan and Richard Madeley. Today's edition include an episode from the soap Tuesdays and Thursdays that offers advice on emotional matters, family health phone in and ideas for both hand and machine knitters. With national and international news at 10.55 and regional news at 11.55 followed by national weather (25462357)

12.10 The Riddlers. Puppet series for children (6674319) 12.30 ITN Lunchtime News. (Oracle) Weather (1514512) 1.05 Thames News (40602715)

1.15 Home and Away. Australian family drama serial. (Oracle) (496970)
1.45 A Country Practice. Medical drama set in the Australian outback (s) (495241) 2.15 TV Weekly. Anne Diamond goes behind the scenes of popular ITV and Channel 4 programmes while Barry Took dips into the archives (487222) 2.45 Take The High Road. Soep set in the Highlands

(9166777) 3.10 ITN News headlines (7038512) 3.15 Themes News headlines (7035883) 3.20 GP. Medical drama about a suburban Australia

practice (3953116) 3.50 The Ratties. Animation (r) (6661339) 3.55 Captain Zed and the Zee Zone (s) (5214593) 4.20 Rolf's Cartoon Club presented by Rolf Harris (8199715) 4.45 Bad Influencel Computer games series

5.10 Blockbusters. General knowledge quiz game for teenagers, presented by Bob Holness (1452870)

5.40 Early Evening News. (Oracle) Weather (424864)
5.55 Thames Help (r) (730203)
6.00 Home and Away (r). (Oracle) (26)
6.30 Thames News (86)
7.00 Emmerdale. Drama serial set in the Yorkshire Dales. (Oracle)

7.30 Jimmy's. Real-life dramas concerning the patients and staff of St

James's University Hospital, Leeds (70)

8.00 The Bill: Fireworks. PC Stamp has to resort to old-fashioned policing after more than 100 British Rail detonators are stolen and a child is bedly injured when one of them explodes. (Oracle) (7319)



9.00 Rumpole of the Bailey. In this last of the series Horace begins his day badly at the dentists — but it gets worse when he loses his temper when appearing before Mr Justice Oliphant (James Grout) and finds himself on trial for contempt. Can "she who must be obeyed" save his skin? Starring Leo McKern and Marlon Mathie. (Oracle) (s) (2951)

10.00 News at Ten. (Oracle) Weather (27999) 10.30 Thames News 10.40 Aids Update 92. Ruby Wax introduces a film looking at the link

between Aids in Europe and Africa. (Oracle) (640970) 10.50 01. Entertainments guide to London and the south-east (s)

11.25 Prisoner: Cell Block H. Australian drama serial set in a woman's detention centre (238609)

12.20am Alfred Hitchcock Presents. Two stories of suspense Houdini on Channel 4 and The 13th Floor (1157568) 1.15 Stephen King's World of Horror. A feature length programme

tooking at famous horror stories and movies (851278)

3.00 Kojak. The New York policeman searches for the whereabouts of a missing six million dollars. Starring Telly Savelas (r) (73920) 4.00 Motorsport Special. Racing from Thruston (66907) 4.30 America's Top Ten (t) (s) (72907) 5.00 Videofashion (t) (44636) 5.30 ITN Morning News (75433). Ends at 6.00

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

struggling playweight (14338) 7.00 Captain Johnno (40425) 9.00 The Trush About Worr

● Viz the Astra and Mercopolo satellites 5.00am Mimi (1935, b/w): A girl inspires a

amorus reploits (\$1651)
11.00 All the King's Men (1949, b/w) The rise and lail of a politician (72958222)
12.55pm The Stranger's Hand (1954): A

● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satelities 6.30em Stretch (45405) 7.00 Watersports (81932) 8.00 Boots and All (82661) 9.00 Stretch (81222) 9.30 Conquer the Arctic (82683) 11.30 Stretch (32883) 12.00 Suring (23798) 1.00pen Superbouts (53635) 2.00 Conquer the Arctic (82512) 4.00 Tennis (22405) 5.00 Motor World (6241) 5.30 The Cuto Show (3339) 6.00 Soccer News (351970) 6.03 WWF Wreating (897771 7.30 Netbusters (7845) 8.00 Ford RS2000 Rely (2425) 8.30 The Boot Room (7920) 9.30 Ringside (88845) 11.30 German Football (41241) 1.30em Gillette Sports (90926)

CHANNEL 4

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6.00 Cartoons (28864) 7.00 The Big Breakfast (93593)
9.00 You Bet Your Life. American game show (s) (6161661)
9.25 Film: Babes on Broadway (1941, b/w). Lively Busby Berkeley musical starring Mickey Rooney and Judy Garland (84499945)

11.35 Crime Does Not Pay: Miracle Money (1938, b/w). A quack doctor resorts to murder to save his reputation (8113406)
12.00 The Parliament Programme presented by Anne Perkins (17512)
12.30 Sesame Street (54796) 1.30 Take 5 (35406)

2.00 Film: Fourteen Hours (1951, b/w).
© CHOICE: Henry Hathaway's gripping documentary-style thriller is based on the true case of a man who threatened to throw himself off the seventeenth floor of a Manhattan hotel. Richard Basehart plays the would-be suicide, with Paul Douglas as the traffic cop who tries to talk him out of it. It is one of Basehart's best performances, vividly conveying the nervous exhibitionism of a man near the end of his tether. Apart from the will-he-won't-he? suspense, which is expertly sustained, the film is also notable for its portrait of the crowd which gathers to watch the figure on the ledge. Black humour intrudes as taxi drivers bet on the time Basehart will jump. Barbara Bel Geddes and Agnes Moorhead feature in supporting roles and there is is bit

and Agnes Moorhead feature in supporting roles and there is is bit part for Grace Kelly, making her film debut (610336)
3.40 The Three Stooges in Siter Downers (1937, b/w) (5233628)
4.00 Family Pride. Drama serial about a Midlands Asian family (s) (99)
4.30 Fifteen to One. Fast-moving general knowledge quiz (s) (83)
5.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show. A discussion on privacy and in particular Ms Winfrey's own secret engagement (s) (3527113) 5.55
The Magic Roundabout (r) (738845)
6.00 The Word — Access Ali Areas (s) (48) 6.30 Gamesmaster (28)
7.00 Channel 4 News. (Teletext) Weather (884574) 7.50 Comment (788816)



8.00 The Black Bag: The Bounty Hunter. The first of a two-part documentary about a Huddersfield-based man who tracks down Asian women who have run away from home (s) (8661)
8.30 Rising Damp. Celebrations are in order when an engagement in the Rigsby household is announced (r) (7795)
9.00 Critical Eye: Do Families Need Fathers?

© CHOICE: Elizabeth Woodcraft argues that since so many men are wife hashers and child abusers or both, families are probably.

are wife bashers and child abusers, or both, families are probably better off without them. This provocative thesis is based on Woodcraft's experience as a family law barrister, her contention that domestic violence and abuse goes much wider than the reported cases and her assertion that men have had their own way for far too long. She finds entitusiastic support from three divorced women on Tyneside and a battered wife who was forced to abandon the family home on Boxing day. Woodcraft accuses the church, the courts and the politicians of failing to address the matter. She has little to offer by way of solutions, though one of her contributors suggests that children may develop just as happily in lesbian households as in traditional family units (9703)

10.00 The Big Battalions. Episode three of the five-part drama about faith and fanaticism. (Teletext) (s) (3680)
11.00 Chelmsford 123. Comedy set in Roman Britain (r) (s) (476932)
11.35 The Spirit of Freedom. Bernard-Henri Levy examines the response of intellectuals to world events. Subtitled (570222)
12.35 The Planatistes (s) (5047273)

12.35am Dispatches (1) (6947278)
1.20 Film: In Old Mexico (1938, b/w). A Hopelong Cassidy western starring William Boyd. Directed by Edward T. Venturi (6984471). Ends at 2.30

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HTV WALES As HTV West except: 6.00pm-6.30 Wales at Six 7.30-6.00 Wales & Westminster 10.50-11.50 A Proper Job.

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Conquest of the Planet of the Apes (576549) 1.55 The Young Riders (8800452) 2.45 Amenca's Top Ten (9886810)

### SATELLITE

Via the Astra and Marcopolo sate

12.55pm The Stranger's Hand (1954): A British spy disappears in Ventos (8148970) 2.25 Astartz Versus Ceeaar (2550116) 3.50 The Chipmank Adventure (4611375) 5.15 The Proud Rebel (1858): Alan Ladd seeks help for his made son (11782796) 7.00 Dual of Hearts (1990): Berbara Cartisno romance (31777) 9.00 August 19595: Giarliance (27769) (2019) 7.00 Family Ties (6845) 7.30 Full House (7203) 8.90 W.I.O.U. (10135) 9.00 Chances (20939) 10.00 Sauds (49135) 10.30 Star Treic The Next Generation (50609) 11.30 Fashion TV (27086) 12.00 Skyled 9.00 Arena (1985): Gladietonel fantasy starring Paul Satterfield (68672) 11.00 Guilly by Suspicion (1990): Firm 11.00 Guilty by Suspicion (1990): Firm director Robert De Niro is accused of un-American activities (182332)
12.55tan Cry-Baby (1989): Musical comedy steming Johnny Depo (8374839)
2.25 To Kill a Priest (1988): The true story of Father Jerzy Popieluszko (78412075)
5.00 A Woman's Angle (1952): Courtroom drams (8317704). Ends et 6.25

Via the Astra satellita
 7.00am Eurobics (89715) 7.30 Grundig
 Sport (78222) 8.00 Basketbal (57241) 10.00

SKY SPORTS

EUROSPORT

FM Stereo and MW. 4.00em Bruno Brookes (FM only) 6.00 Simon Mayo 9.00 Simon Bases 12.30pm Newsbeat 12.45 Jaild Brambies

PADIO 2

FM Stereo, 4.00em Alex Lester 6.15 Pause for Thought 6.30 Brian Hayes: Good Morning UKI 9.15 Pause for Thought 9.30 Ken Bruce 11.30 py Young 2.00pm Glore Humbord 3.30 Ed Stewert 6.05 John Dum 7.00 Pull the Other

Giona Gaynor 10.30 Fine Jerriesona 12.05am Jazz Parade 12.95-4.00 Stavé Madden

RADIO 5

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6.00am World Service: World News; 6.09

News About Britain; 6.15 The World Today

6.30 Darny Baker's Morring Edition 9.00 Schools: Let's Maké a Story; 9.15 Together; 9.35

Listening and Reading; 9.45 The Song Tree; 10.00 in the News 10.25 Wiggly Park 10.30

Johnne Waster with The AM Alternative 12.30pm Streetwelk: Toni Affirur is in Manchester

1.00 News Update 1.10 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 1.25 BFBS Worldwide 2.30 A Game of Two Helves 4.30

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(61883) 10.00 Kick Box (64970) 11.00-

LIFESTYLE

● Vis the Astra satelitie
10.00am The Spiral Zone (S2796) 10.30
Cover Story (70116) 11.00 Gloss (24864)
11.30 The Joan Rivers Show (2222-425)
12.15pm Sally Jessy Rephael (8576338)
1.10 Lunchbox (64027651) 1.40 SelfVision (45860319) 2.10 The Family (3011338) 3.00 The New Newlywed Game (4406) 3.30 The Bit Dens Show (4135) 4.00
The Van Detro Show (897014 4.3 American (4408) 3.30 The Bill Dane Show (4135) 4.00 Dick Van Dyke Show (6970) 4.30 American Gameshows (2154) 5.30 Sell-a-Vision (3405) 6.00 Saly Jessy Raphael (53690) 7.00 Sell-a-Vision (986680) 10.00 Music Videos (8126680) 2.30

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### RADIO 3

8.55em Weather
7.00 On Air, with Chris de Souza.
Geminiani (Sonata No 3 in F:
Purcell Quartet); Vaughan
Williams (Concerto accademico London Symphony Orchestra under André Pravin, with James Oliver Buswell IV, violin); Dvořák (Scherzo capriccios Royal Philhamonic Orchestra under Rudolf Kempe): Brahms (Tragic Overture, Op 81. London Philhamonic under Voltgang Sawallisch)

9.00 Composer of the Week: Robert Schumann at Dresden. Requiem für Mignon, Op 98b (Bavarian Radio Chorus and Symphony Orchestre under Wottgeng Sawelisch): March in G minor, Op 76 No. (Swetoster Richter, pieno): Konzertstück in F. Op 86 (Berlin Philhamonic Orchestra under Klaus Ternstecti): Scenes from Goethe's Faust. Spenis Horn Godine 3 (acc.)
Part 1 (Wandsworth School
Chor; Adeburgh Festival
Singers; English Chamber
Orchestra under Benjamin
Britten): Winterzeit I. Album for the Young, Op 58 (Arturo Benedetti Michelangeli, piano)

10,00 A Musical Promensde. Debussy (Gigues, Images: Cleveland Orchestra under Pierre Boutezi: Martin Butler (On the Rocks), Valentin Silvestov (Sonata No 1: Andrew Bell, pieno); Carl Vine (Mariature III: Flederman). Debussy (theria, Images: Cleveland Orchestra under Gerhard (Soirée de Barcelona, Estampes, Andrew Ball, Angres de Barcelona, Estampes, Andrew Ball, Dieno). Debussy (Rondes de printemps, images: Cleveland Orchestra under Pierre Boulez) Schumenn — The Year 1842: Quertet in A. Op 41 No 1 (Metos Quertet); Plano Quertet in E liet, Op 47 (Beaux Arts Tro, with Samuel Rhodos,

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Sonatas: Andras Schiff plays Sonata in C, K309; Sonata in A minor, K310 3.00 Christophone

minor, K310
Christophorus or The Vision of an Opera: Vienna Philharmonic Choral Society: Vienna Symphony Orchestra under Ingo Metzmacher performs Franz Schreker's opera in two acts, a prologue and an epilogue. Sung in German. With Roland Hermann as Christoph, Walter Benry as Melster Johann and Luana Devol as Lisa Luana Devol as Lisa 5.00 In Tune: Edward de Souza's guest is the planist Leif Ove Andsnes

7.30 Tender is the North:
Recorded at the Bertolcan Hall
on November 26. The London
Symphony Orchestra under
Colin Davis, with Karita Mattila, soprano, performs Symphony No 3 in C; Luonnotar, Op 70; Hostivall, Autumn Evening, Op Hostivall, Autumn Evening, Op 38 No 1, 8,20 Interval Reading, 8,25 Symphony No 1 in Emmor 9,15 The Translators: In Administration

of six programmes, Adam Czemiawski talks about Bengali poetry with Kataki Dysón
9,35 Ravel and Berkeley: The
panest Antony Peebles plays
Ravel (Gaspard de la nuit):
Lennox Berkeley (Four Concert
Studies) (r)
10,15 Mystaries of the Hammond:
Ben Watson examines the
work of the organist Shirley
Sept. (r)

Scott (r)

10.45 Night Waves: Roy Porter in conversation with the writer and cultural commentator

sorge Steiner George Steiner

11.30 Dupare: L'Invitation au
voyage: Sérénade florentine;
Testament; Phytylé: Extase; La
vague et la cloche; Chanson vague et la ciocne; Charson triste, Lamento; Elégie; Le manor de Rosemonde (François Le Roux, baritone; Jeff Cohen, piano); Au pays ou se fait la guerre (Danielle Borst, soprano, Jeff Cohen, piano); Soupir; La vie antémeure (François Le Roux, Jeff Cohen;

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12.30-12.35am News

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local town half (s) 10.00-10.30 News; Little Women (FM only) ● CHOICE: Listeners who carnot get FM will experience a feeling of deprivation at missing this mervellous adaptation of Louisa M. About the management to B. Alcott's improving tale. But they can take comfort from the fact that Marcy Kahan's so-part serialisation is already available in the BBC Radio Collection. Nothing is missing coaccion, Noting is rissing from the twin-cassette set, not even Stuart Hutchinson's period-perfect music. Episode two has Beth (Arne-Marie Zola) getting a piano and Amy (Kara Zediger) getting a caning. Butly Davis's Jo. akrady sounding good, has her best scenes to come (s) of An Act of Worship (LW only)

10.00 An Act of Worship (LW only)
10.15 Paradise Loet (LW only):
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"diva of lazz", as she
celebrates 70 years in the

celebrates 70 years in the business. Incl 11.00 News 11.30 From Our Own 12.00 You and Yours, with Roisin MCALIBY 12,25pm Out of Order: Patrick

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3.00 Prime Minister's Questions

(LW only) 4.00 News Kaleidoscope reviews

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4.45 Short Story: The Humble and the Exalted, by Liam Donnelly. Read by Marie Jones

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NORWAY'S RISING STAR ON THE PATH TO FAME AND FORTUNE

**THURSDAY DECEMBER 3 1992** 

Selectors stand by decision on Gower

# Dexter predicts defeat for the MCC dissidents

TED Dexter, chairman of England's selection committee, expressed concern yester-day that the furore over the dropping of David Gower might undermine the confidence of players chosen ahead of him for the tour to India. His stricture came in the light of MCC being forced to hold an extraordinary general meeting to debate a resolution of no confidence in England's

selectors.
"I find it irritating that 260 members, a small minority, are trying to speak for the majority," he said. "I fully expected them to force a meeting, although I don't know what their motivation was. I would say the resolution is very unlikely to be carried."

Dexter, who is an honorary life member of MCC (and eligible to vote), said he would not be going to the extraordinary meeting, which will be held in January, and that the only way Gower would be included on England's tour would be in the event of injuries. Gower is going to India as a television

Dexter said:"If the motion is carried, MCC's president will March meeting. MCC would have one vote among 20 and would be proposing overturning a selection system set up only four years ago and sub-jected to a complete review in

you would not get odds of less than 1,000-1 on this happening. I have spoken to plenty of people in clubs and pubs who take a different view to these MCC members."

Alan Smith, chief executive of the TCCB, said yesterday he had "every confidence" in Dexter and Graham Gooch and Keith Fletcher, who helped select England's tour party. Fletcher, the new England manager, reiterated that Gower's exclusion did not mean it was the end of his

"I respect everyone's right to an opinion but I think the members are taking this issue a bit far," Fletcher said. "If it is correct that an extraordinary meeting will cost £17,000, then I just think that money could be better spent.

We thought at the time that ve had the best squad and still do. We have to consider the future and players such as Mike Atherton, Graeme Hick and Neil Fairbrother."

The TCCB is to hold its winter meeting next week,

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when four of the 18 first-class counties, in addition to MCC, would need to deliver a vote of no confidence in the selectors to force the TCCB into holding its own special meeting.

Smith has received 2,000 letters of protest over Gower's exclusion that were originally sent to The Observer, whose editor, Donald Trelford, is one of the leading MCC

Trelford intends to write to all MCC's 17,400 members. outlining the views of the dissident group. This is in spite of Gower distancing himself from their motion. Speaking from Australia on BBC Radio yesterday, Gower said the decision to hold a special meeting astonished

"The selectors do their job in good faith and must be concerned now with getting players fit for the tour," be said. 'At least this has made me think that if I was disappointed, others were as well."

Dennis Oliver, spokesman for the signatories, said Gower should disassociate himself from their cause. "I have never met him and he has his own future in the game to consider. But there should be some accountability for selectorial meetings - it seems the world and his wife go to them. I expect to win our case by a handsome majority."

Roy Edey, the Kent member who is attempting to bring about a vote of no confidence in the TCCB over the introduction of coloured clothing in the Sunday League, is seeking support from members of all the other first-class counties. Edey also wants to reverse

black sightscreens and white ☐ John Major, the prime

the TCCB's decision to use

minister, has written the foreword to England's bid, which runs to 20 pages, to stage the 1995 World Cup. Submissions to the International Cricket Council (ICC) were opened at Lord's vesterday. India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka have also placed a combined

Border fined, page 36 | ing was by the Group 4



Going to ground: McKenzie, the Glasgow hooker, gains possession and looks for support from his pack as he tries to set up an attack against Scottish Exiles, who won 17-7 in the McEwan's inter-district game at Richmond yesterday afternoon. Report, page 36

# A piercing experience

FROM BARRY PICKTHALL AT CAPE HORN

EIGHT of the British Steel Challenge crews have successfully rounded Cape Horn, leaving only Paul Jeffes and his InterSpray team and their rivals on Rhone Poulenc to appreciate the euphoria which comes from performing the

Yesterday, Jeffes said he had hopes of sighting the Horn late last night, but a change in the wind, as sudden as the storm that lashed the area on Tuesday, will almost certainly delay his arrival until later

Peter Phillips and his Rhone Poulenc crew finally left Port Stanley at 02:00 GMT yesterday, following the arrival of new parts for their mast, which had been delivered to the Falklands by an RAF transport plane. They expect to take their turn at running through the infa-

mous waters on Saturday. "We still have some rig tuning to do, and will do that as we sail down towards the

Horn," he said over the radio. The most dramatic round-

Securitas team, at the height Emergency Ward Ten over of the storm. "We have had a fantastic run down," their skipper, Mike Golding, said "We were creaming along, with the assymetric kite up, in 25 to 30-knot winds when the

It sent us flying. How many can say they have been surfing off Cape Horn?" Further ahead, the decks of other yachts have been turned into improvised operating ta-bles as crew members lined up to have their ears pierced. A gold earing in the left ear has

boat was hit by a 45-knot gust.

been the mark of a Cape Horner since the earliest days After the entire crew of the Pride of Teesside, including their doctor, had had their lobes punctured with a sailmaker's needle the supply of studs ran out. "We had to improvise by cutting up a gold bracelet," said Sue McKichan. Her sister, Alison, sailing on the second-placed yacht Com-

mercial Union, found it all

very hard to believe. "Whoever

talked you into it? You must all

be mad. It must look like

Golding said that while his Group 4 crew would also be wearing earings in Hobart. these would be of the dip-on

Others had more original ways of celebrating once they were safely round. David Spratley was spotted wearing nothing more than a woolly hat, while taking his turn at the wheel of Heath Insured, by the commander of the local Chilean naval base, who was over-flying the yacht. "Mad. He was standing naked at the wheel, reading a newspaper in knots of wind,"

Tenorted.

LEADING POSITIONS (at 1600 GMT vesterday with miles to Hobert): 1, Nuclear Eectric (J. Chibanderi), 4,903; 2, Commerca: Union Assurance (F. Memiwesther) 5,084, 3, Coopers & Lybrand (V. Cherry), 5,700; 4, Hoftmar Lager (P. Goss); 5,168; 5, Smith Steel II (R. Tudon), 5,175; 6, Heath insured (A. Donovari), 5,189; 7, Pride of Teesside (f. MedGilleray), 5,201; 8, Group 4 (M. Golding); 5,272; 8, InterSpray (P. Jeffes), 5,471; 10, Rhone Poulence (P. Philippi), 5,711.

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Champagne on ice, page 4

### Noades cuts pay at Crystal Palace

By Louise Taylor

RON Noades, the Crystal Palace chairman, has imposed a ten per cent cut in salary on all administrative, ground staff and other club employees. apart from players, at Selhurst Park.

Nor does the reduction apply to Steve Coppell, the manager of the struggling Premier League team, and Alan Smith, his assistant Noades told staff of his intention at a meeting on Monday. Noades said he acted because average gates are down 3.000 a match and

lottery income has fallen. So much for the promised riches of the Premier League. "I had the choice of making people redundant or imposing a ten per cent across the board pay cut," Noades said yester-day. "I chose the latter and

hope that if our financial

position improves in the sec-ond half of the season then we may be able to reinstate the

see redundancy because they don't think they would be affected. I've told them all that I hope they stay. But all departments are showing a drop because of the recession and this desicion affects every-one from me down, apart from the manager, his assis

tant and the players."

The deeply unpopular cut was imposed against a backdrop of uncertainty at Palace - the feeling is that Coppell could soon be packing his bags and departing for Sunderland where Malcolm Crosby is not expected to survive for

much longer Players at Barnet, the third division club, were yesterday debating whether to make a mass transfer request after the dismissal on Tuesday of Barry Fry, the manager, by Stan Flashman, the controverisal chairman.

Edwin Stein, Fry's assistant. said that he had turned down an offer from Flashman to "Everybody would rather take over as manager.

# Lyric Fantasy fetches 340,000gns

By RICHARD EVANS, RACING CORRESPONDENT

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16 Evaporation loss (6) 17 Bread producer (6) 19 Salute (4) 20 Best (4)

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WINING MOVE

By RAYMOND KEENE, Chess Correspondent

This position is from the game Poluliahov — Tunik, Russia 1991. White is a rook down. If he did not have a very powerful continuation in mind, he would have to resign. Fortunately for him, he does. What is it?

**ACROSS** Yes (4)

8 Pull out (8)

II Discard (4)

17 Group (4)

Bowler's target (6)

12 Bravery commendation

10 Worldly wealth (6)

15 German miss (8)

18 Ski-ing house (6)

22 Plane full width (8)

23 Litter smallest (4)

21 Vietnam rice delta (6)



Solution on page 36.

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AWORD WAICHING

By PHILIP HOWARD

SICSAC Crenellation in heraldry b. The crocodile bird c. So so, not bad

Answers on page 36

**GRIMGRIBBER** a. A male witch or warlock

c. Pertaining to dizziness SORBILE b. Legal jargon
 c. A cobbler's pincers

a. Making a loud noise

b. A child's top

LYRIC Fantasy, whose average racing speed of 37.58 miles per hour marked her as one of the fastest two-year-old racehorses for half a century, was sold for 340,000 guineas at Newmarket vesterday.

The "pocket rocket", as Lord Carnaryon's flying filly be-came known, was knocked down at Tattersalls' December Sales to Paul Shanahan of the Irish-based Ashdown House Stud. Shanahan was bidding on behalf of a Kuwaiti consortium. "She will stay in training and run next year. Whether it will be here or in Ireland I can't say," Shanahan said.

As the moguls of the bloodstock world mingled in a packed sales ring beforehand with the simply curious, it was far removed from a year ago.

12.500 guinea Since then the small filly showed that she had a heart and engine which made a mockery of minor details like

bought as a yearling for

size and bloodlines. After a winning introduction at Windsor in April, the only time Lyric Fantasy did not start favourite, she revealed phenomenal speed to win the National Stakes at Sandown before becoming the first twoyear-old to break the 60second barrier at Ascot in the Queen Mary Stakes.

After a hicrative success in the Newbury Super Sales Sprint, the race for which she was orginally bought. Lyric Fantasy went on to become the first juvenile filly to win the Nunthorpe Stakes at York. when Lyric Fantasy was Her only defeat came when

she was arguably past her best in the Cheveley Stakes. Asked why he was selling her, Lord Carnarvon, racing manager to the Queen, said: "Whoever you are, if you enjoy racing and breeding horses. you have to sell sometimes to replenish the coffers. I have always done it. Whether she stays longer distances or not,

you cannot take away her speed and her records." Despite her obvious merits, critics have not been slow to point out Lyric Fantasy's deects. Was she so precocious, she would not train on? Would her size hinder her ability as a broodmare? And what of her mediocre breeding?

Those doubts, combined with the unknown reserve put on her by Lord Carnarvon, were the talk yesterday as seats

and standing room were fully taken in the ring long before David Pim, the auctioneer, opened the sale.

"Probably one of the fastest two-year-olds we have seen in a generation . . . sure to be the top rated filly ... broke the record at Ascot, broke the record in York... the first two-year-old filly to win the Numborpe. What more can I say about her," he said. Bidding opened at 100,000

gniness and was fast and furious before Pim brought down his hammer. "Ashdown House Stud," he said simply. The drama lasted around five minutes ... slightly less

than the 371.22 seconds it took Lyric Fantasy to complete her six races.

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# Football finds Olympic solution

FROM DAVID MILLER IN ZURICH

THE tug-of-war between João Havelange, the Brazilian president of Fifa, and Juan Antonio Samaranch, the president of the International Olympic Committee (IOC), over the eligibility of senior professional footballers for the Olympic Games, is likely to be resolved here tomorrow by Fifa's executive committee. The leaders are believed to have negotiated a compromise when they met

privately on Tuesday.

The proposal, I understand, is that Fifa, football's governing body, should retain the controversial under-23 age limit that operated in Barcelona, and which resulted in a low-key tournament, lacking in glamour.

The tournament for 1996 in Atlanta will allow the introduction of three senior, "over age", which should keep both sides happy in a situation that previously seemed insoluble on the one

hand, European and African nations, simultaneously engaged in continental championship qualifying competitions with senior and Olympic teams, would use under 23 squads in the Olympic event and then upgrade them for the final competition, with star players who

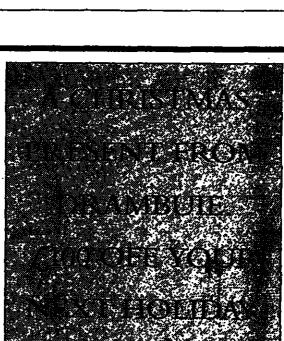
will add to public appeal.

The contradiction for the IOC had been that while the leading professionals were competing in sports such as athletics, tennis and, in Barcelona, basketball, football was resisting in order to protect the status of the World Cup. In the report to yesterday's Fifa press

commission meeting here, it was admit-ted that this year's "Olympic tournament was not especially privileged", a nice euphemism for saying that the public gave it the cold shoulder. Only the appearance of Spain in the final against Poland ensured a respectable climax to the event. Samaranch was determined that Olympic football should include the best, Havelange that the World Cup's prestige should not be diluted. The compromise, which the executive committee is expected to approve, would allow both sides to maintain face.

Also on the table for debate, I gather, is the inclusion of an indoor five-a-side tournament for Atlanta and a women's tournament for the Games of 2000.

The recent world five a-side champion ship in Hong Kong, in which Brazil beat the United States 4-1 in the final, was a huge success, with capacity crowds and 11,000 at the final. With 307 goals in 40 matches, an average of 7.68 per match, the benefit of the change in the backpass law was apparent. The average at the first tournament, in Holland in 1989, had been 5.43. It is to be regretted that England were not involved. What previously had been regarded as a fringe element of the game is becoming a development area, especially with the shortage of outdoor pitches.



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